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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Sharing Secrets

THE recent announcement by Mr. Malenkov, subsequently confirmed by the US Atomic Energy Commission, that Russia had tested a hydrogen bomb, has given new impetus to the argument as to whether America should or should not relax some of the secrecy that at present surrounds the size of its atomic pile and enter into consultations with Britain, Canada, and other friendly allies that would lead to a sharing of information on atomic developments. One of the leading American exponents for greater candour is Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, who was a leading scientist in the war-time development of the original atomic bomb and who is still an adviser to the US Government on atomic policy. He urges three points. First, that the American people cannot judge the risks involved in an atomic arms race unless they are told more about the subject. Secondly, he believes far more attention must be given to methods of defence, both civil and military, against atomic attack than has hitherto been the case in America and other parts of the free world. Finally he considers there should be a sharing of information on atomic subjects with friendly allies, notably Britain.

THIS is a question of which a great deal is going to be heard in the future. If the evidence of Russian progress in nuclear weapons continues to accumulate there will have to be a serious review of the whole American position, both in regard to production, to the question of defence, and to relations with its allies. By and large the military leaders, especially those who have had practical experience in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, favour a limited exchange of information with America's allies on questions of atomic relations, although this, it has to be appreciated, is not the same as a pooling of ideas among the fundamental scientists of the allied countries. The strong knot of opposition appears to exist in a body called the Military Liaison Committee on Atomic Energy. They have already made their attitude clear. Nevertheless, which way the debate goes depends—like the outcome of other urgent questions—on where and how President Eisenhower finally decides to exert his influence.

# BRITAIN MAY MAKE H-BOMB

## Confronted With Unhappy Necessity SIR WINSTON'S DILEMMA

By HAROLD GUARD

London, Sept. 4.

Russia's hydrogen bomb confronted a reluctant Britain today with the necessity of making the weapon herself and producing it at a fantastic cost just when Britain's economy is coming into balance.

The Soviet H-bomb also has prompted the belief among responsible political observers that Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, will come back to his May 11 proposal for a four-power meeting at the highest level.

A Conservative member of Parliament said there is a strong Parliamentary group which intends to press the matter when Parliament reconvenes next month, in order to see an effective system of control for such weapons.

When Sir Winston made his proposal in Parliament, the member said his chief aim was said to be seeking an agreement on the future of Germany. Since then, the Premier apparently has decided to wait to see whether the forthcoming Foreign Ministers conferences produce any result. Now, however, it is believed that the hydrogen bomb has given a new urgency to the original programme.

Political observers believe that Premier Churchill would be able to persuade Parliament to provide the vast sums needed to produce hydrogen bombs in quantity, only if he were able to convince them of the futility of a four-power meeting on the lines he suggested on May 11.

"It might well be that no hard faced agreements would be reached, but there might be a general meeting among those gathered together that they might do something better than to fear the human race, including themselves," to bits," the Prime Minister is reported to have said.

A hint that Sir Winston might actually have intended returning to his May proposal was seen in the Western powers' note to Russia, suggesting the Foreign Ministers meeting at Lugano on October 15.

"A solution of the German and Austrian problems could be expected to pave the way for fruitful discussions of other major questions," the relevant paragraph in the note said.

**FALSE HOPES?**  
Supply Minister Duncan Sandys' disclosure of Britain's progress in the development of guided rockets and the deliberate hints of designs in new atomic weapons being under way could be taken as an indication of the restriction raised in Britain by the Soviet hydrogen bomb, political observers believed.

Mr Sandys' disclosure was seen as a consolation which could be misleading because it would raise false hopes that Britain may not need to make the hydrogen bomb.

Military men said that guided rockets of the type Mr Sandys

## £3,000,000 Trade Deal With Russia

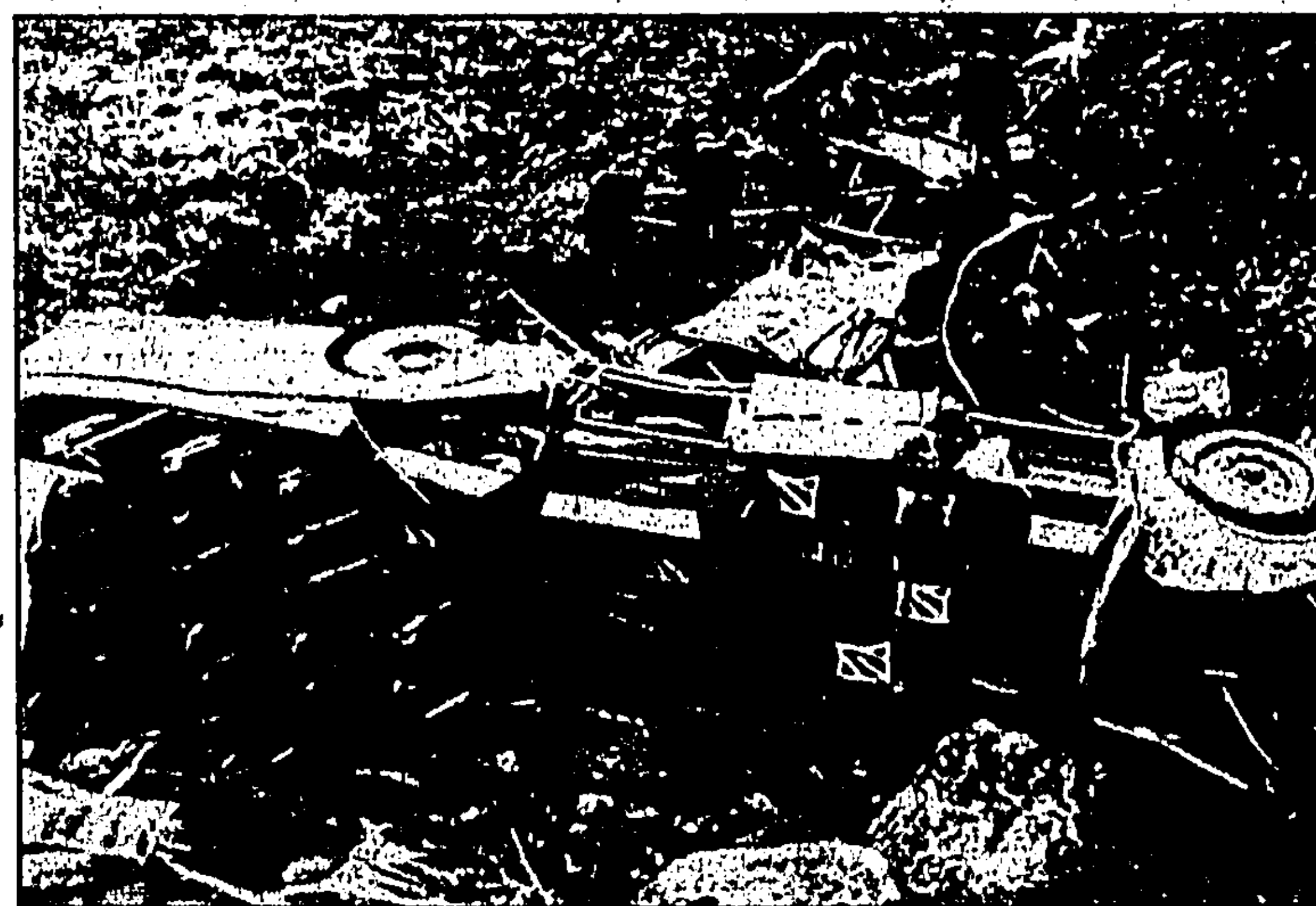
London, Sept. 4.

The Board of Trade said today it is "examining" a deal concluded by British firms in Moscow to export £3,000,000 worth of electrical plant equipment to the Soviet Union.

The Board officials were considering the deal in the light of the existing export ban on strategic goods to Iron Curtain countries. They were expected to block most of the projected transactions on security grounds.

The deal, concluded by a group of five British industrial firms, provides for the delivery of diesel electric generating sets, transformers and other electrical materials.—United Press.

## Motor Coach Plunges 300 Feet



## JUIN GOES "ON THE CARPET"

Paris, Sept. 4.

France's best known soldier regally strode "on the carpet" in Defence Minister Rene Pleven's office again today but insisted he meant it when he said that being President of France was as dull as shining shoes in barracks.

Alphonse Pierre Juin, 64, mighty Marshal of France and hero of every war his nation has fought since 1912, was in hot water—again—with touchy politicians haunted by memories of Napoleon and Louis Charles de Gaulle who both stepped from military careers into politics.

The battle-scarred veteran who has survived more wars than the army of ribbons on his chest, was summoned before the Defence Minister today after President Vincent Auriol hit the ceiling over a remark that Juin insisted was made to prove he was not interested in politics.

It was made to newsmen. They asked recently if he wanted to be President. Waving his right hand, which is paralysed below the elbow, Juin said, "Non, non. You would not expect me to give up my title of Marshal of France to satisfy functions which bear no more disagreeable drudgery than the function of power," he continued.

The word translated as "drudgery" is the term used in the French Army for mopping barracks, shining shoes and brass.—United Press.

United Nations, Sept. 4.

An official UN announcement today said that no resignation has been received from Adm. Chester A. Nimitz, plebiscite administrator for Kashmir.—United Press.

Thirty-seven people were in a coach, going from Penrith in Cumberland to Morecambe, when the coach crashed through a wall and finally plunged 300 feet. Six people were killed and 30 injured. Picture shows the coach on its side with all its roof ripped off, at the bottom of a ravine.—London Express Photo.

## Four Planes Crash

Tokyo, Sept. 4.

Four American subjets crashed today while on a flight from Tokyo to Kyushu, the United States Air Force Headquarters announced. Two pilots who made forced landings were slightly injured and two others baled out. The planes ran out of fuel.—France-Press.

## Fishing Boat Detained

Djakarta, Sept. 4.

The Indonesian Navy have held up a Philippine fishing boat in territorial waters near the Celebes, according to reports received in Djakarta tonight.

The 70-ton Philippine vessel, "Lady Lena," with 80 men on board, is now being detained at Donggala, a little harbour on the Celebes west coast for further investigations.—Reuter.

## Reaches Manchuli

London, Sept. 5.

Peking Communist Radio reported that the Korean Government delegation to Soviet Russia, headed by Premier Marshal Kim Il Sung, arrived in Manchuli, on the Manchurian-Siberian frontier, yesterday morning.

The New China News Agency said that the special train dispatched by the Soviet Government to bring the delegation to Moscow was at the station awaiting the visitors.—Reuter.

## Eisenhower Has Medical Treatment

Denver, Sept. 4.

President Eisenhower underwent a medical treatment this morning "to accelerate the recovery" of his sore right elbow.

The summer White House refused to give any details, except to say that the Chief Executive, accompanied by his physician Dr. Howard Snyder, stopped off this morning between the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. John Doud, and his offices at Lewy Air Force base to have his right arm treated.

Asked whether the Chief Executive went to a doctor's office, a hospital or a clinic, Mr. Murray Snyder, assistant press secretary, said, "There are some details which we prefer not to give out."

There was apparently nothing serious about the condition of the President's arm because he planned to play golf this afternoon at the Cherry Hills Country Club.

President Eisenhower bruised his elbow at the White House before he came to Colorado on August 8. The injury has interfered occasionally with his fishing and golf.—United Press.

## Japanese Clamour For Trade

Singapore, Sept. 4.

Japanese businessmen are clamouring for trade with Red China and Government officials are at present negotiating in Tokyo with American and other United Nations representatives on this matter.

This statement was made by Mr. Nookichi Kitazawa, Special Assistant to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, at a Press conference here held jointly by the Kogane and Ikeda fact-finding missions.

Mr. Kitazawa said that under the San Francisco Treaty Japan promised to co-operate wholeheartedly with United Nations decisions on the restrictions of export of strategic materials to Red China "and in order to relax trade restrictions we must first negotiate with United States and United Nations countries."

He said that with the Korean armistice Japan could not expect to earn the money which had previously been spent by American forces "and we must expand our foreign trade to offset this loss."

Mr. Kitazawa said that Indonesian Government officials had asked for Japanese technical aid, especially in the field of agriculture and small-scale industry which Japan should be able to offer very soon.

The Ikeda Mission is leaving for Bangkok tomorrow and from there to Saigon, Hongkong and Taipei before returning to Japan.

The Kogane Mission is leaving on September 8 for Colombo and from there to Pakistan, India, Burma and Thailand before returning home.—United Press.

## New Flying Record

Tampa, Florida, Sept. 4.

Colonel Michael McCoy set a new record for the trans-Atlantic crossing by flying a B-47 Stratofortress bomber from England to Tampa.

He took 9 hours 13 minutes. The old record of 9 hours 53 minutes for a flight of about 4,450 miles was set up by Colonel Elliott Devanter.

Colonel McCoy, who commands the 380th Bomb Wing which has been based in England for three months' training, left Fairford, Gloucestershire, at 9 a.m. GMT. His plane landed at Macdill Air Force base here at 6.13 p.m. GMT.

Colonel McCoy's plane was the first of a group of returning bombers to land at Macdill. Others were to follow this afternoon.—Reuter.

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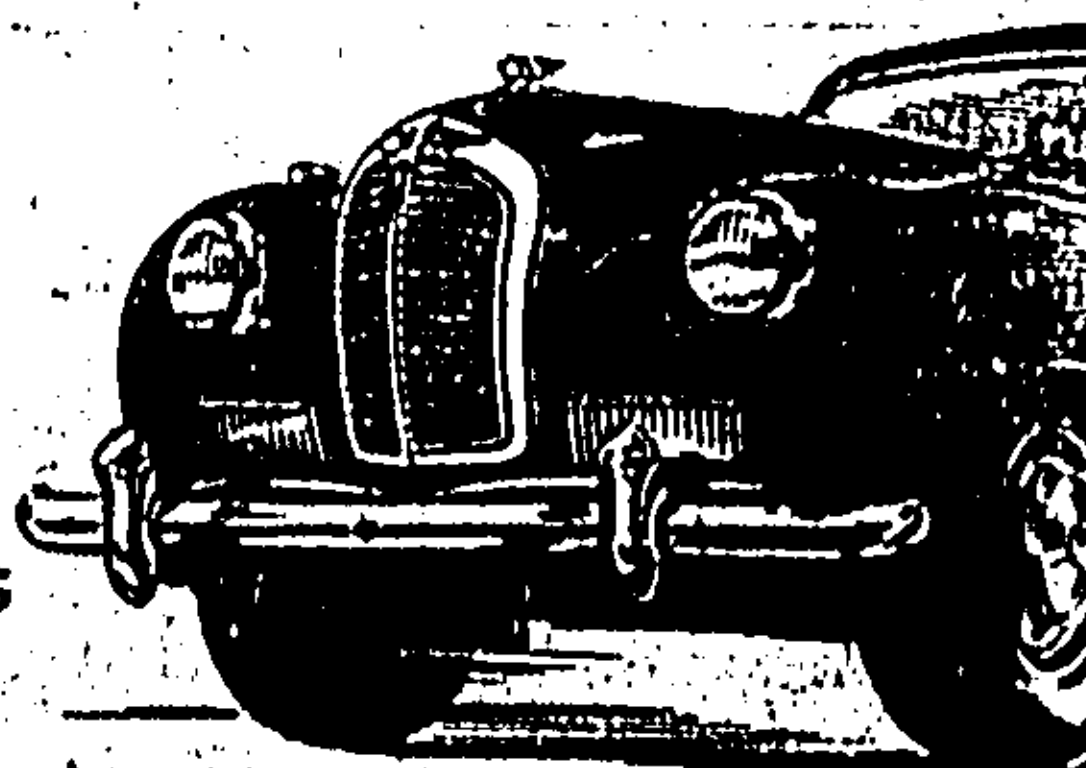
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# • HOMESIDE PICTORIAL •



RETURNING home to its owner, film actor James Robertson Justice, a Bonelli's eagle alights on its master's arm after escaping during a training flight at Mr Justice's home in Whitchurch, Hants. Mr Justice, a keen enthusiast of falconry, found his eagle in a field three miles away from home, and lured it back with meat bait. (Express)



LEFT: While waiting for Frankie Laine, the famous American singer, to sign her autograph book during his recent visit to Battersea Pleasure Gardens, London, one of 4,000 teen-aged girls fainted. Frankie immediately went to the girl's rescue with a cup of tea, and in doing so made Mary McKintyre's long wait a fruitful one. (Express)



LEFT: Miss Inge Sand, of the Royal Danish Ballet, Count Reventlow, the Danish Ambassador to London, and Miss Beryl Grey of the Sadler's Wells Ballet, chat together at a supper party given by the Danish Embassy to celebrate the first visit to London of the Royal Danish Ballet Company. (Express)

BELOW: After completing their pre-OCTU training in Malaya, these officer cadets arrived in England by the Empire Trooper for entry to the Eaton Hall and the Mons Officer Cadet Schools for training, which will enable them to take up short service commissions in Malayan Federation Forces. (Army News)



IN the arms of his famous mother, Michael Howard Wilding, seven months old, takes his first look at England as he lands at London Airport after flying across the Atlantic from America. Mother is beautiful Elizabeth Taylor, 21-year-old Hollywood actress, while father is British film star Michael Wilding. However, it was baby Michael who quickly took command of the Customs hall with his protesting howls. (Express)



SIR Alvy Gascoigne, retiring British Ambassador to Russia, on his arrival at London Airport from Moscow. Sir Alvy has no definite plans for the future, but is going on holiday and then hopes to take up some work after six months' time. (Express)



BACK in England for the first time in six years, after spending the last three and a half years in a Hungarian prison, Mr Edgar Sanders is seen with his wife (left) and daughters, Yvonne and Denise, who met him on arrival from Vienna. (Express)



AFTER sixteen days in Italy, the Marquis of Milford Haven and film actress Eva Bartok hurry through the rain at London Airport. Asked about the 34-year-old Marquis, Miss Bartok said: "I can't say anything at all at the moment." The Marquis said: "We met a year ago and have been friendly ever since. That's all there is to it." (Express)

LEFT: Glamorous film star Ava Gardner escorted by Mel Ferrer arrive at the Empire Cinema, Leicester Square, for the premiere of "The Red Beret." (Express)

## NANCY

Sluggo's Prepared

By Ernie Bushmiller







London Express Service

## WRITERS OF RENOWN analyse the GREEN-EYED MONSTER

*To pin this thing  
down, I will tell  
you a true and  
terrible story...*

N EARLY 20 years ago a friend of mine, a painter, threw up a steady job and went to live in the country. He was a man of remarkable tenacity, even more remarkable creative gifts. Useless to tell him that artists invariably starve. Hopeless to remind him that he had a wife and would probably soon have a family. He wanted to paint, and come hell or high water, that was what he was going to do. And, come hell or high water—and there was all too often the hell of red tank figures and all too seldom the high water of the sale of a canvas—that is what he did do. He painted. He sweated. And sometimes he nearly starved. And as if all this were not tempting Providence enough, he tempted it still further. He produced a family of four children. And as if this were still not enough, he fathered the last two of them in the early years of the war when times were grim, nights comfortless, and canvases hard to get and harder to sell. And as if this were still not enough, he joined up and became a war artist,

plunging into the war with the same come-hell-or-high-water attitude as he had once gone to live in the country.

Now, the amazing aspect of all this is not that this man has done so many of his friends predicted, or demonstrated that he was a fool, as so many people guessed and hoped he would. He became a great success. His canvases now sell at £500 a time. His work is internationally known, bought, and recognised.

### Fantastic

WE now come to an unpredictable point in this story. The effect of such an immense essay would surely invoke, you say, nothing but universal admiration. Not at all. On one woman, at least, the effect was dark and cancerous.

For 20 years, in the house next door, she has looked upon the urgent struggle and fruition of this young man and his wife with hungry curiosity. Like a curled canker she has lived self-imprisoned, locked by jealousy. I need hardly add that she is not married; or that her looks, even at their best, were not much more seductive than those of a frost-bitten wren on a dank November field. Yet inside her there exists and grows and persists a haunting and preposterous emotion. She is black with jealousy for the achievements of two people to whom she has not spoken for nearly two decades.

Preposterous indeed, you say. Fantastic. I shall be telling you next, you will say, the impossible details of some secret love affair. Not quite. At the same time the powerful emotions of this woman are not an illusion. Nor are they rare. She is the victim, indeed, of the most irrational, powerful, subterranean, perhaps the most common of impulses.

How has she expressed this jealousy? In the most extraordinary way. First, and most significantly, as we shall see, she barricaded herself behind high fences and masses of quick-growing, newly planted trees.

Still she bought land in front of and behind the artist's house, so that, as the artist's possessions grew, she could be sure that hers grew also.

On this land also the artist and his wife could not walk and see her; but she could in fact walk and see them.

### Imagination

BUT presently it was not enough that she had her dogs, her cats, her parrot, and her land and their children. She invented something they did not possess, and, in imagination, gave it to them—and, amazingly, it was a big Alsatian dog. There was, of course, no such dog. The artist and his wife did not happen to like dogs, and certainly not Alsatis. But the fact of its imaginary possession by them gave her yet one more excuse for jealousy.

The dog was larger, fiercer, more aggressive than her own. It was, therefore, possible to imagine that it threatened and endangered their tender existences. By inventing something hateful she was more able more positively to express her hatred. So for nearly 20 years a young couple, following the creative stream, have built up for themselves a successful, beautiful, unenviable life in which they have never desired to harm a soul.

In negation, a woman has watched "it," mostly through a crack in a fence, with poisonous eyes, consumed with what seems to be, on the surface, a preposterous, petty, maniacal obsession.

It would be easy to be horrified by this story if its end were

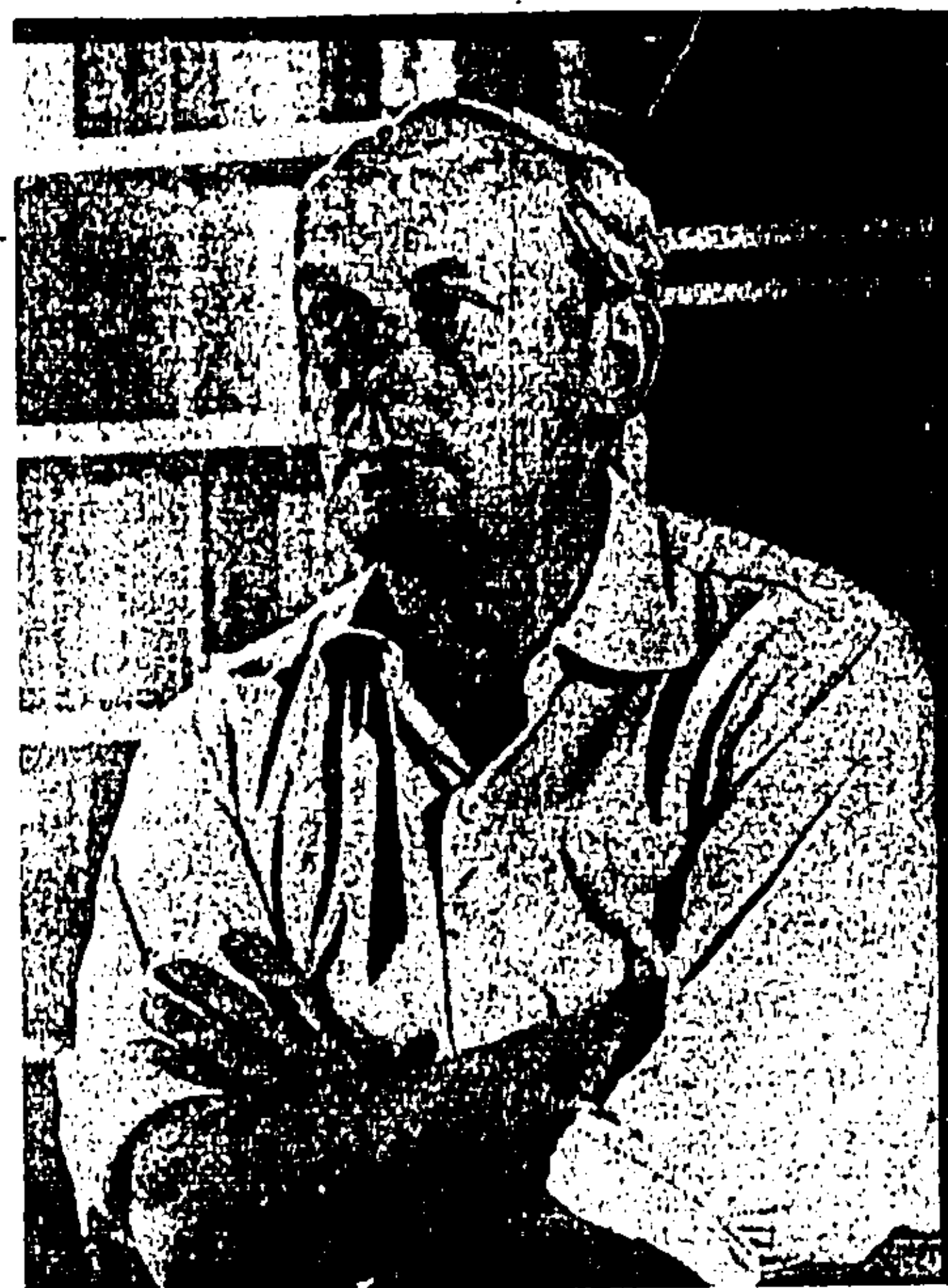
violent. It would be possible to be amused at it if its end were ludicrous. Yet its end, like the extraordinary threads which make it up, is neither violent nor ludicrous. It just drags on—part of an obscure, unviolent, unresolved tragedy whose drab and irrational details could be repeated for a million women, with a million dogs, cats, parrots, or canaries or whatever you wish, all over the world.

Next week it is pretty certain, I think, that another novelist, Nigel Balchin, will be writing of the odd currents of jealousy that run through the world of commerce. It is my guess that he will have something to say, then, on what we call competition, or the struggle of businesses to survive.

What of the struggle of men and women—especially women—to survive? To outstrip, out-do, out-fight, out-love each other? These are the questions in which I, as a novelist, am more interested, and in which, as I see it, the clues and causes of what Shakespeare so aptly called "the green-eyed monster" lie.

### The rivals

ALL his life another novelist, A. D. Lawrence, argued that "woman was the eternal continuance," needing eternal lovers, whether they were her own or someone else's sons. He maintained that "woman is the Flesh," and that God should not be God the Father, but God the Mother. And to prove it, he wrote a fine novel, "Sons and Lovers," in which the consuming and possessive jealousy of a mother for her sons runs through the book like a dark and tragic fire. But if woman is the eternal continuance, if she is the flesh that "produces all the rest of the flesh," as indeed she is, then it is equally certain that she cannot accomplish these things



THE AUTHOR

fruitfully to be fulfilled—the denial of these things can only be in a lesser or greater degree, a tragedy.

To see these things being granted to others, and to be sharply aware of it as a manifestation of success, as getting on in the world, as having all the luck, as gaining material security, as being a hit with the other sex, is undeniably the main force as I see it behind the thing we call jealousy.

Yet, in thinking of it as a deplorable, unsavoury, repellent emotion or pure instinct, call it what you like, are we necessarily right? "For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God." In remembering that quotation from Exodus, I am reminded that the word *jealous*, by etymology, is simply another form of *zealous*.

That meaning is implicit in another quotation we know well—"I have been very jealous for the Lord of Hosts." Perhaps it is not inappropriate to suggest, therefore, that it is not enough merely to love but also to be jealous in and through love. In other words to be zealous or ardent in pursuit of the creative end.

And nor I think would it be inappropriate to remind you that we adapt the word *jealousy* from the French, *jealousie*, and to recall that in that language the word survives in another meaning.

Exactly. You are unaware. Only a fraction of you have ever been aware.

Not is there necessarily any stigma in that. The profoundest of instincts are not municipal bye-laws, put up in public, in black and white, with equal application to all.

I am sometimes criticised, as a writer of stories, because those stories are so often concerned with the tragedies of unfulfilment. Yet the central tragedy of life appears to me incontestably to be lack of love.

The child that turns to the parent that cannot or will not give affection is recognised, now, as the type behind almost every delinquent, every maladjusted teenager, who is jealous of stability, law, and the fruits of success. To be loved, to flower, to

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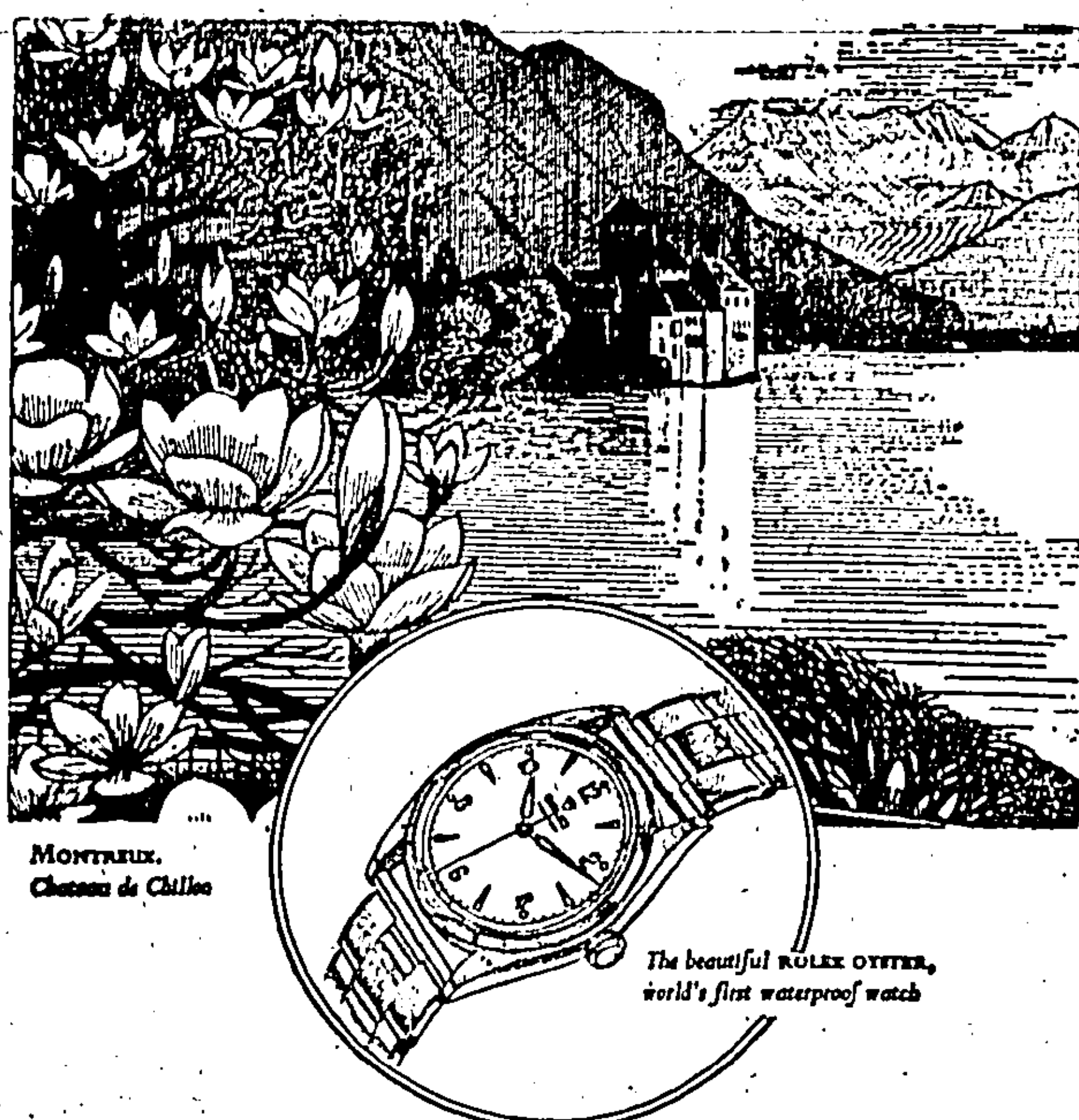
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★ **A BALLERINA SINGS—**  
**What A Tonic It Is!**  
By David Lewin

London. **R**OLAND PETIT, the bright bad boy of Ballet, swept his company into London and startled the new West End show business season into life.

Peter Ustinov and Terence Rattigan came to the Stoll. A brace of film knights came along—Sir Carol Reed, Sir Michael Balcon. British ballet was there—with Fonteyn, Hellmann, Elvin, Dolin, and Dame Ninette de Valois.

What did they see? They saw a complete disregard of "old-hat" ballet tradition.

What a shot in the arm the show was! This lusty team of dancers has a range for life. At the end the audience brought them back for a dozen curtain calls and then more. All deserved.

Why? Because Roland Petit, a 29-year-old, tall, dark-haired Parisian, gives his ballets wit, passion, and sex. No "Swan Lake" in his repertoire. No tired stories. He says: "I don't want old intellectual stuff in my dances. That is for the dowager duchesses. For me there are just three basic ballet ideas: make it exciting; make it theatrical; make it virile."

To applaud his innovations and his vivid dancing style show people stayed in London instead of going North for the Edinburgh Festival.

They saw three ballets new to London. "Cine Bijou"—a satire on Hollywood film musicals and gangster pictures. And with it a revolution—balletina Colette Marchand sang a song: "I've Got Nothing Under My Coat."

**Lightweight frolic  
—In jazz style**

Never before has there been jazz-style singing in a ballet. "Cine Bijou" is a lightweight frolic to the wall of saxophones and a jam session and jitterbug dancing on stage.

Then "The Wolf," a tragic awesome story of a girl who marries a wolf. Petit rings out tenderness and emotion in the power of his dancing and the strength of his choreography.

The last ballet "Mourning in Twenty-Four Hours" is a whirl of wit and good-tempered malicious observation of a young widow only too anxious to forget her husband's death in the morning. That ends with a mad can-can on stage. Through the whole evening there were the lightweight backgrounds and dashing costumes.

**He took a risk  
and won**

In a box sat Peter Daubeny, the young British impresario who battled against the big West End names to bring Roland Petit and his £30,000 show to London. It was Daubeny's own money he was risking—no Arts Council subsidy for him.

Competing against him had been the Laurence Olivier company and the power of the Moss Empire Variety Circuit. Says Daubeny: "I got the final contract by going to see Petit in Paris myself. Personal contact is the only way an independent producer can survive."

Peter Daubeny and Roland Petit have given London a tingling new dancing show. I wish it were here for more than its five-week run.

**BOWLER-HATTED PROWLERS**

London. **B**OWLER-hatted men with furled umbrellas are prowling Britain's back alleys—peering into the nation's garbage cans.

They come from the Institute of Public Cleansing and they're preparing a sort of Kinsey report of the rubbish world.

Before they're through, they will have examined representative cans from the north of England. A battery of calculating machines manned by skilled statisticians are standing by to marshal the flood of information.

What prompts this latest invasion of the Britisher's private life?

Institute Secretary Wyndham Brown says the result may be

very important indeed. Sanitation, of course, is a prime concern. But the Institute would like to know whether or not too much manpower is being wasted clearing rubbish which could be better disposed of in some other way; whether present dumping facilities are adequate; and whether collections should be speeded up.

They would also like to know what kind of things the Britisher throws away.

Up to now, the public hasn't been taking too kindly to the idea, says Mr Brown ruefully.

To encourage co-operation, he has assured housewives that "strict anonymity" will be preserved. "It's really most important," he adds. "But it's so hard to convince people...."

London Express Service.



● The Can-Can Girls—Petit-style—in a dance with the unlikely name, "Mourning in 24 hours."

**I FIND 3 SULTANAS  
ALL IN ONE ROOM****—And they never go out of doors**

By NANCY SPAIN

**H**OW would you feel if someone told you that the deposed Sultan of Morocco was coming to stay, with 11 people in his family party? This is what happened to Marcel Savreux, prefect of the hot, windy Mediterranean island of Corsica.

Someone telephoned to him and told him to prepare to receive the Sultan. So Marcel had to move out of his own bedroom, and the Sultan moved in. Now, after several days, the prefect has begun to look a little less worried.

The prefecture, where the Sultan's party is installed, is a square building like an orange box in the middle of Ajaccio, Corsica's capital.

**Crowds Loiter**

**C**ROWDS of bare-legged tourists loiter by the gate, hoping for a glimpse of the imperial head. Every so often the crowds are moved on by armed gendarmes.

I presented my credentials at the side door. The place felt exactly like a prison. The walls were a sad green, the floor was not

awfully clean, and a gen-  
darme dug a revolver in my ribs, and told me not to loiter in the passage.

Nevertheless, six or seven typists who worked in the prefecture office stopped on the staircase for a gossip. "What sort of a Sultana do you think you'd make?" asked one. "Oh, go 'on, someone will heat you," said the other, "and then they will shoot you."

**Still Impressive**

**I**N spite of their strange guests the ordinary work in the prefecture must go on.

The prefecture was built as a palace and a little of it is still impressive. There are wide gardens, bright with orange trees, giant hydrangeas and dahlias, where the tricolour hangs in the hot sun. There is a huge main gate, where three gendarmes are on guard.

When the Sultan arrived he was smuggled in by the back entrance through a battered iron door without a lock. He was exhausted.

Now he is recovering slowly, walks in the garden in the cool of the evening, reads and meditates. He is forbidden to receive visitors of any kind.

**Less Formal**

**T**WO naughty gendarmes on the back door kept the crowd informed. The gendarmes at the back are less formal than those at the front. They told me, for example, that a barber arrived today to shave the Sultan.

The Sultan wears a white burnous over Western dress. He is clean shaven, and thin-faced. His eyes are hidden by dark glasses and he seems depressed. The royal ladies have not yet appeared out of doors at all.

"They only have my cook, my housekeeper and a maid from the Grand Hotel," the prefect told me. "So the cooking is the same as it is

for my wife and me, except for various Moroccan dishes such as lamb cooked over charcoal with capers."

The royal family sleep on the floor, with only a bolster under their heads. Beds are available but they do not use them. It is contrary to their religion.

The four princesses do not use their wardrobe, but make little heaps of their possessions on the floor.

All the women—there are three wives with the Sultan—share an enormous room and, according to the maid from the Grand Hotel, they chatter all day long among themselves and are perfectly happy.

**What Use?**

**T**HEY breakfast at 9 a.m., lunch about three, and dine about 10 or 11 at night.

The prefect was at pains to explain that the Sultan is not a prisoner. Nobody believes him. "The Sultan can come and go just as he pleases. We treat him exactly like royalty. In the morning when I greet him I address him as your Majesty and the princesses as Highness and Madame. I must say they all behave with regal dignity."

But what use is regal dignity if you want to go for a walk in the town to buy a newspaper?

The prefect showed me a big drawing room where this strange family may sit and read. It was empty. The luxurious hangings were a bit dusty. But then, they were put up 100 years ago to welcome the Empress Eugenie of France and have not been changed or cleaned since.

A small, cheap, incongruous upright piano stood in one corner. Apparently the princesses play this.

**Lamb Again**

**B**EYOND the salons was the dining-room, and beyond that again the kitchen.

As we talked I could smell the rich, tantalising smell of the Sultan's dinner cooking. I should guess he was having lamb again.

I asked the prefect who had made the decision for the Sultan to go to Corsica. "I promise you it was not me," he said with his hand on his heart.

**JOHNNY HAZARD**

By Frank Robbins



...this situation  
calls for a  
**San Miguel**



## WEEK-END WOMANSENSE



IVA BARTOK  
favors the kisscurl variety.

**F**ASHION spotlight moves this week from hemlines to hairlines.

Four London hairdressers have announced that they are bringing back the fringe. Paris stylists, too, have cut wispy, curly fringes or kisscurls for the mannequins wearing the new, straight "pillbox" hats.

Since the Eton crop the fringe has been the most con-

## The FRINGE IS BACK

*Delightful...but dangerous*

roversal of all hair styles. Principally because it is so difficult to wear.

Shakespeare called it a "feigned curtain." Roman matrons wore it in classical sculptured curls. It figures in ancient Egyptian carvings.

Queen Alexandra's enchanting curly version became a favorite with Edwardian beauties.

Flappers in the 1920s loved it, cutting their hair straight across, with no-nonsense fringes that went with their flat chests and bare knees.

Film fans in the 1930s copied Clara Bow's kisscurls, and every girl who dreamed of looking like Claudette Colbert wore one.

To wear it successfully today:

Your face must be oval or heart-shaped.

Your features must be small.

Your nose must be tiny or retreating.

Your chin must not be square.

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**SUCCESSFUL**

fringe-wearers include film actresses Audrey Hepburn, who flew in from Hollywood after an English holiday, and Eva Bartok, actress friend of the Marquess of Milford

But it is a difficult style to wear particularly if the features are pronounced or the face inclined to be wide at the chin.

Mrs. Eisenhower's forehead would look even more attractive with the hair swept back to give height to her face.

Girl with good features, who likes to wear her fringe straight and unwaved, is novelist Emma Smith, now Mrs. Stewart-Jones. It gives her oval face great individuality. But it does need a plain hat style to do it justice, without veiling or flower trimmings.

Prettiest girl in London last week was filmstar Jeanne Crain, who flew in from Hollywood. She wore her soft, red-gold hair in a short, curly style, with a fringe divided in the middle, curling inwards.

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**Be warned!**

**REMEMBER**, before you make the big decision, that a fringe can do two things for you. It can take 10 years off your age if it suits you. And if it does not, it can add 10 years.

The best way to try out a fringe is to have a few small forehead curls cut first, which

Haven, who has been holidaying in Capri.

Audrey's fringe is cute, short and wispy. Eva favours the kisscurl variety.

Most famous fringe addict is Mamie Eisenhower, wife of America's President. Mamie declares that "bangs" are flattering for older faces and cling to hers through the years in spite of changing hats.

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**PRINTED** wools in gay

Paisley and flower designs. Elegant for cocktail

threes, winter play-clothes and casual dresses.

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**3-D** sheets are something

new for the linen cupboard. They have fitted, boxed

corners that tuck under the mattress to give a smoother and neater appearance.

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**Starred for winter**

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weight complains that dieting makes her face look so much

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side of the jaw and not re-

placed the tendency is to do all

the chewing on the side that

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teeth. The muscles on the side

duly are fully developed; the

muscles on the other side of

the face lose tone and this leads

to a facial droop and wrinkles.

And the lack of

symmetry is no help to beauty.

When teeth are lost on both

sides of the face and not re-

placed, the cheeks tend to sink

in the corners of the mouth

droop, and slabbiness or chops

may develop in cheeks and

jowls! This sagging of the

face, or "collapsed face" as it is

sometimes called, has nothing

to do with reducing.

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**LOST TEETH**

Lost teeth, particularly back

teeth, should be replaced as

soon as possible. This is not to

drum up trade for the dentists.

Most of them have more than

they can handle now. It's to

help to give the face a lift!

New back teeth to replace

lost ones should be used and

not "favoured." Get in the

habit of chewing on both sides

of the jaw equally.

Necessary to have a third set,

instead of letting the corners of

your mouth droop, think how

marvellous modern dentistry is

today. Many dentists make a

cast of the original set of teeth

before extracting them and

pattern the third set on nature's

own design.

I have seen women who look

younger with their new teeth

than they did with the old set.

Dentists now advise that as

soon as you become accustomed

to the new plate, it should be

left in all the time, even during

sleep.

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**Cool Pillow**

A new self-cooling pillow is

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from the head and shoulders.

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stomach sleepers and notches

for side sleepers to allow free

breathing.

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**Summer Scotch**

**YOUNG**, gay and yet managing

a dramatic air is this en-

trancing dandy for late after-

noon or evening wear. Carlo

Miani, who has made the big

quilted skirt her own, does this

one in tulle, navy, red, black

and purple plaid. This is top-

ped with a navy blue off-the-

shoulder jersey blouse. Com-

ploting the costume, the cleverly

matching skirt, the neckline of

the blouse. This is an intriguing

way to handle the colourful and

popular Scotch plaid theme.

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**New elegance**

So many women who are

widowed as young as she

was, who no longer have family

responsibilities, become depressed

and feel that life is finished.

The new elegance and charm

of the Princess Royal prove that

life can still be good when you

are in your fifties.

She has revived her great

interest in horse racing, and at

Royal meetings can be seen dis-

cussing the racing animatedly

with the Queen, the other rac-

ing enthusiast in the Royal

Family.

It was a tonic to see the young

Queen sitting on the grass

laughing as she watched the

jumping at Badminton at the

Olympic Horse Trials earlier in

the year.

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**She looked radiant**

Like the Queen, she favours

the clear-cut lines of the

princess coat. She has discarded

the rather shapeless hats of

former years and recent models

have been small caps of felt,

feathers or flowers. Prettiest hat

this year was a ruched tulle

beret that she wore in the

spring to the British Industries

Fair.

Although the Princess still

chooses many of the pastel

shades of her youth her growing

fashion sense has led her to

experiment with the stronger,

deeper colours that contrast well

with her fair skin and Windsor

blue eyes.

At a recent dinner party in a

West End hotel she wore a bright

red evening dress and looked

radiant.

The Princess has some fine

jewellery and Coronation

festivities have given her the

chance to display some beau-

tiful tiaras and diamond neck-

laces. Her everyday choice is

still simple, usually two or

three strings of pearls and a

diamond brooch worn as a

lapel.

Accessories, too, have taken

on a new note. Beautiful long

gloves, delicately cruffed; hand-

bags simple and tailored to

match her shoes.

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**THE DRESS THAT STOLE THE SHOW**

A BALL at the Hur-

lingham Club

dancers glide

over flood-lit lawns

to Latin-American

music. One girl and

her gown catches

the eye of Artist

Rix, making his

rounds during the

London season.

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**THE GIRL:** Miss

Diana Farmer.

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**THE DRESS:**

White tulle over

a satin crinoline.

The bodice is of

real Alencon antique

lace (borrowed from

Grandmother) and

black velvet.

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**London Express Herald.**



AUDREY HEPBURN  
wears it cute and wispy.

can be quickly brushed in with the rest of the hair if you don't like the effect.

And don't forget that many women can wear a half-fringe or "quiff," even if a full fringe makes them look like a window with the blinds half-down.

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THE Hon. B.C.K. Hawkins, Acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs (left), the Hon. T.N. Chau (right) and others looking over the wards of the new Tung Wah Infirmary at Sandy Bay after its official opening this week. The Infirmary will house many of the chronic cases from the Tung Wah and Kwong Wah Hospitals. (Staff Photographer)



RIGHT: A happy group of youngsters at the party celebrating the fourth birthday of Beverly Willey, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. J. Willey, at East Point Terrace. (Ming Yuen)



THE Dean of St John's Cathedral, the Very Rev. F. S. Temple, greeting His Excellency the Governor and Lady Grantham on their arrival to attend the Liberation Day service last Sunday. (Staff Photographer)



GENERAL James A. Van Fleet, former commander of the U.S. Eighth Army in Korea, alighting from the military plane that brought him here from Taiwan last Saturday en route to Korea. (Staff Photographer)



LEFT: In the centre are the four members of the Ceylon trade mission to Peking who were entertained at a reception held at the Peninsula Hotel. From left: Mr William Y. Lee, Mr N. J. L. Jansz, Mr K. Alvapillai, Dr Susantha de Fonseka, Ceylonese Minister to Japan and leader of the delegation, Mr H. Jinadasa and Mr S. B. Weerasinghe, the host. (Staff Photographer)



SUNLIGHT and soldiers cast a pattern of shadows on the parade ground at Lyemun Barracks during the passing-out parade of recruits of the Hongkong Chinese Training Unit last week. Inspecting the recruits is the Acting Commander, British Forces, Major-Gen. R. C. Cruddas. (Staff Photographer)

RIGHT: With his parents, Mr and Mrs N. T. Assomull, looking on, seven-year-old Ramesh Assomull cuts the cake at his birthday party last week. (Ming Yuen)



MR T. B. Low (left), Assistant Director of Marine, receiving a gift in the form of a silver bell from the Acting Director, Mr W. Sprague, at a farewell party on Thursday. Mr Low is leaving Hongkong to take up the post of Master Attendant at Singapore. (Staff Photographer)

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THE new Commissioner of Police, Mr A. C. Maxwell, took the salute at last Saturday's passing-out of Police recruits at Aberdeen. The 127 who passed out included Europeans and Chinese. (Wah Kiu Yat Po)

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THE Director of Education, the Hon. D. J. S. Crozier, speaking at the opening on Wednesday of the Kiangsu and Chekiang Association's new primary school at North Point. Also in picture are, from left, Mr Richard E. Lee, the architect, Mrs Crozier and Mr C. L. Hsu, Chairman of the Association. (Staff Photographer)



COLONEL Andres Soriano (second from right), Philippines business magnate, who is head of the Philippines Airlines and San Miguel interests, welcomed by associates on his arrival at Kaitak Airport last week. (Staff Photographer)



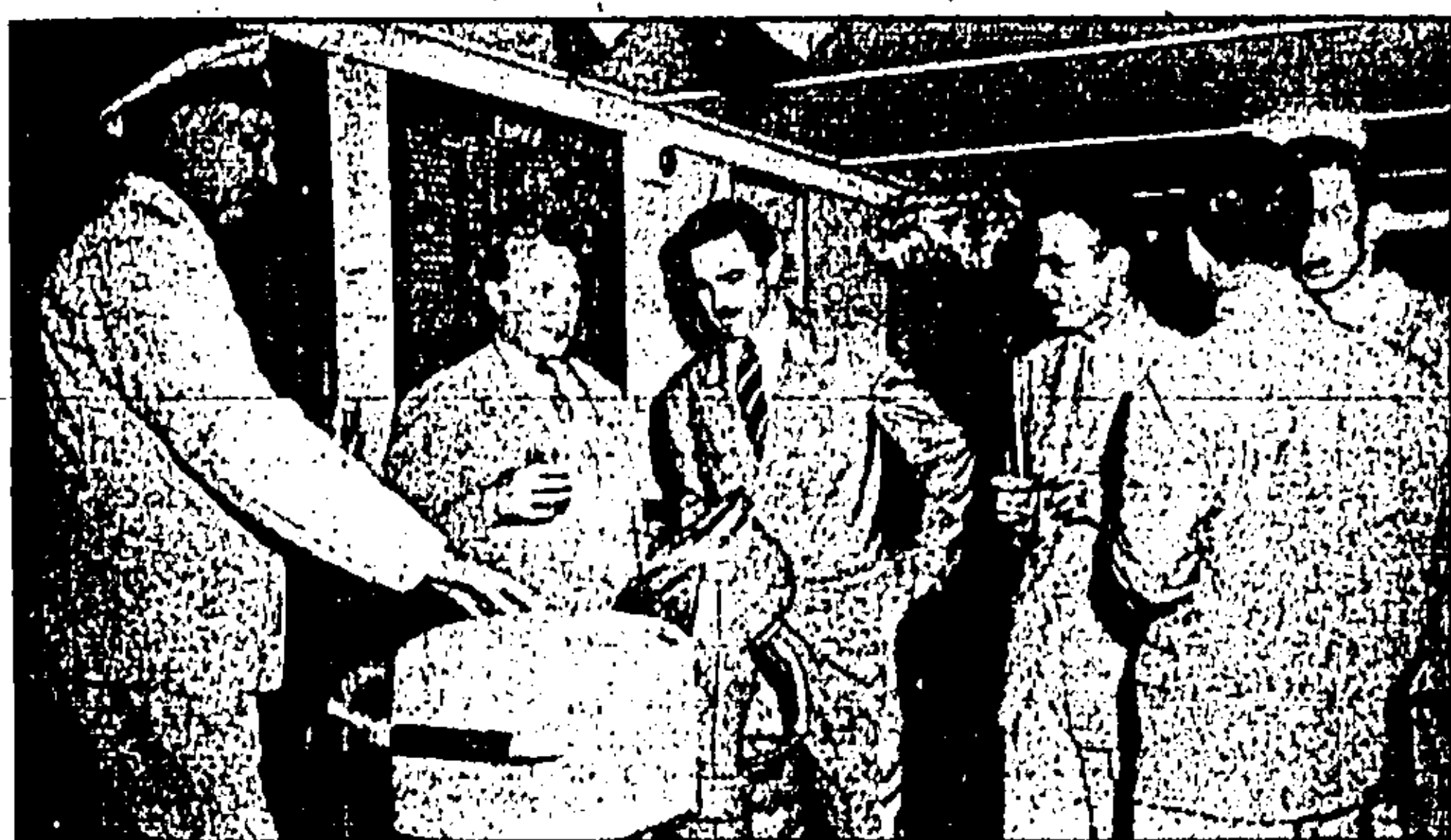
COMMANDER Allen Noble, Parliamentary and Financial Secretary to the Admiralty (right), chatting with Commodore A. H. Thorold who welcomed him at Kaitak Airport on his return from Japan last week. Commander Noble is on a visit to British naval establishments in the Far East. (Staff Photographer)



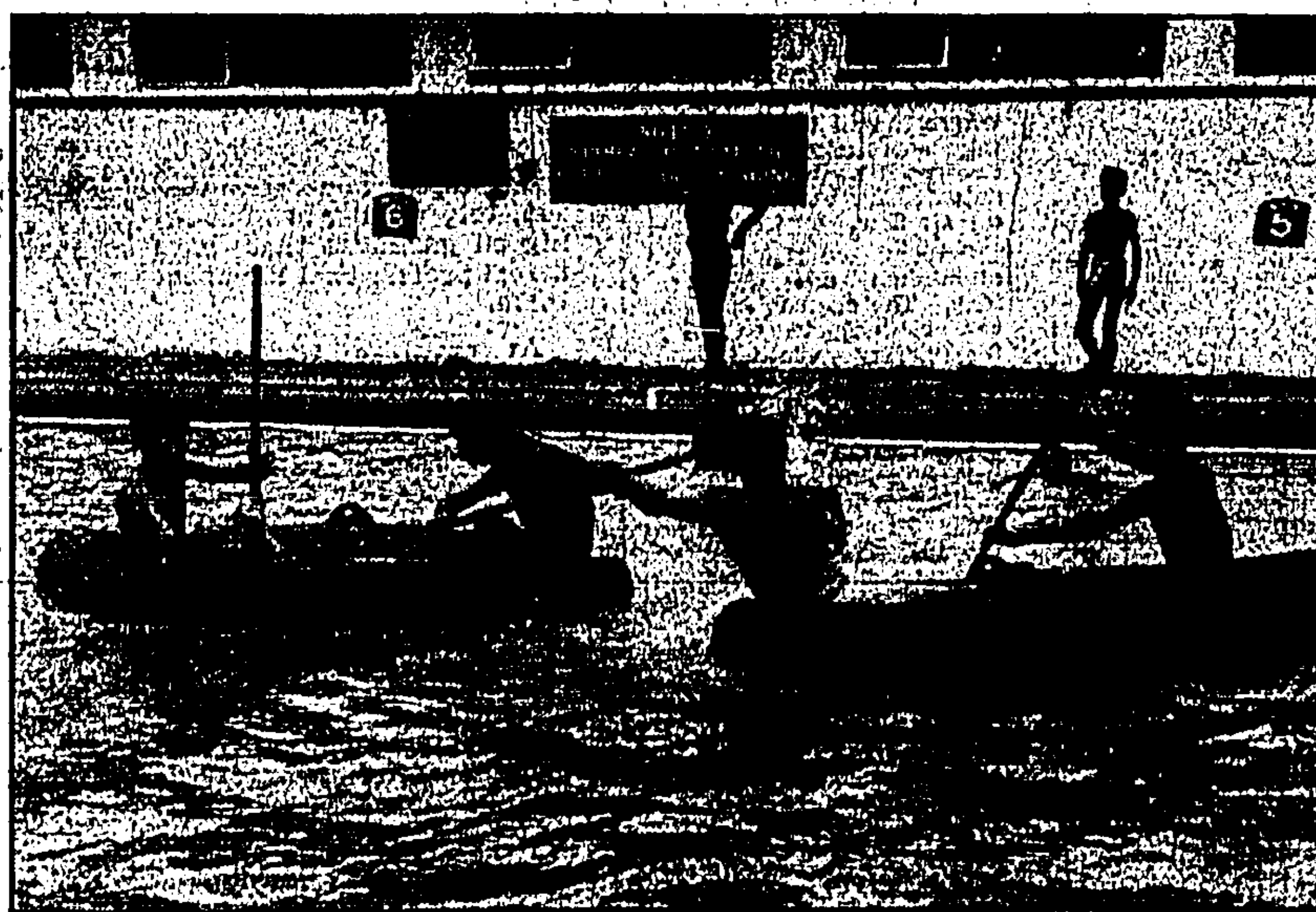
MIMI da MOTTA, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. M. da Motta, celebrated her thirteenth birthday last week with a group of friends. She is pictured between Heather Giles and Dorothy Knowles in the front row.



LEFT: At the party given to mark the sixth birthday of the Social Welfare Office last week. From left: Mr K. Keen, Social Welfare Officer, Mrs Keen, Mrs Hawkins and the Hon. B. C. K. Hawkins, Acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs. (Staff Photographer)



MR Harder, Chief Officer of the new Norddeutscher Lloyd liner Weserstein, showing guests around the bridge of the ship when a party was given on board to mark her arrival here on her maiden voyage last week. Second from left is Mr H. Hennig, of Jobson and Company, the agents. (Staff Photographer)



THE jousting event provided a lot of fun for both contestants and spectators at the annual swimming gala of the Royal Army Pay Corps, held at the Victoria Barracks Pool. (Staff Photographer)



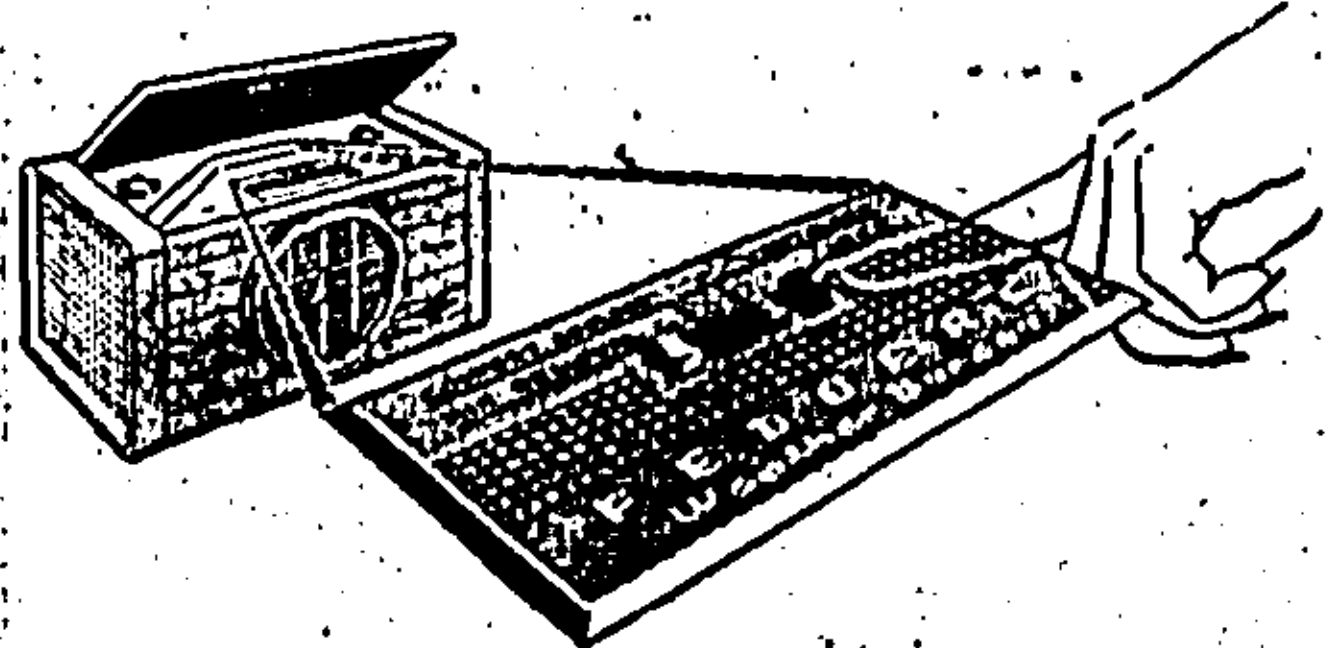
PICTURE taken at St John's Cathedral last Sunday when Lynn Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. A. Waller, was christened. (Ming Yuen)

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ORDERS BOOKED



LOOKING FOR A BREEZE? You'll find one in front of an electric fan. The two-speed design shown is portable and has a safety grille.



ALUMINIUM-BACKED DRAPERIES do something about the weather. They reflect back the sun and help reduce interior daytime heat.

## COOL IDEAS

By JOAN O'SULLIVAN

**H**OT! Hotter! Hottest! These three words take an active part in any self-respecting summer vocabulary. To use any one of them, all you need do is make a pertinent comment on the weather.

It's quite true, as Mark Twain said, that people have been talking about the weather for years. But now, Mr. T. would be gratified to know, they're finally doing something about it.

Instead of sweating through the summer, manufacturers have come up with some cool ideas for beating the heat.

First of all, there are air conditioners that take the mercury down degrees. One of the new room models circulates dehumidified cool air quietly.

Hereafter such units have sounded remotely like a jet plane warming up for the take-off.

### For the Bookcase

This new model is also a hide-away design. If you place it in a window, the grille projects no farther than the drapery line. Or, if you like, you can pop it into a bookcase, cabinet or storage wall. In either of these cases, however, there must be a duct that will reach outside air. For this reason, the installation should be made along an outside wall, where the duct will be as wide as the back of the unit.

Those with smaller budgets may find electric fans are their warm weather solution. These come in a variety of styles. Particularly good if there are small children in the home, is a fan that's concealed behind a grille so closely spaced that tiny fingers can't squeeze in and catch the blades.

### Two-Speed Switch

This fan is portable and can be used on a table for quick room cooling, on the floor as an air circulator, or in a window where it will bring in fresh air, take out stuffy air. It has a two-speed switch and can be adjusted for vertical or horizontal air flow.

Screen windows made of aluminium are another cool idea. The screens and windows can be adjusted to any height for breezy ventilation. Permanently attached, the units don't rust or corrode and are removable for cleaning.

Heat-resistant draperies are a prize-winning design in the cool-off category. These particular drapes received one of the 1953 Trial Blazer Awards, given by the American Home Fashions League.

### Heat Reducing

On the room side, the draperies have a colourful print on chintz. They are lined with



AIR-CONDITIONING UNITS are getting more decorative. This smart, quietly-operating model fits attractively into a bookshelf.

aluminium backing that does year round duty. In winter, they keep cold out; in summer, by reflecting back the sun, they reduce interior daytime heat.

This is just a small portion of proof that people are doing something about the heat and

## Tricks For Home Dressmakers

By ELEANOR ROSS

**T**HE army of home sewers is increasing each season, and each season, too, women are showing off garments that have a real professional air about them.

As expensive models are copied down, very often at first glance there is little to distinguish between the original and the "knocked off" garment, as it is called in the trade. But just examine the construction of the two garments and the story will be found in the finishing that holds the dress or suit together, for the finishing is part of the construction.

### Sleeve Finish

Just turn a sleeve inside out and note the finish. When a fine dressmaker handles a sleeve, she leaves two rows of shrinkage bastings over the cap of a set-in sleeve after she has placed it. Then she presses the seam with both sides facing in the same direction. With a pair of scissors she clips into the seams at the fullest part of the curve.

To prevent ravelling and to maintain full seam allowance, the raw edge is finished in one of four ways. If the fabric is sturdy, the type that will not fray, then seam may be planked. Fabrics that ravel easily require a more permanent type of finish. Overcast seams are adequate for sheer fabrics. If small, loose stitches are used.

Blind binding is best for unlined fabrics and for heavy, loosely woven fabrics such as

some of the wool jersey and tweed so important in winter. To apply the blind seaming cover seam edge with binding, then pin, baste and stitch through all thicknesses.

### For Tight Weaves

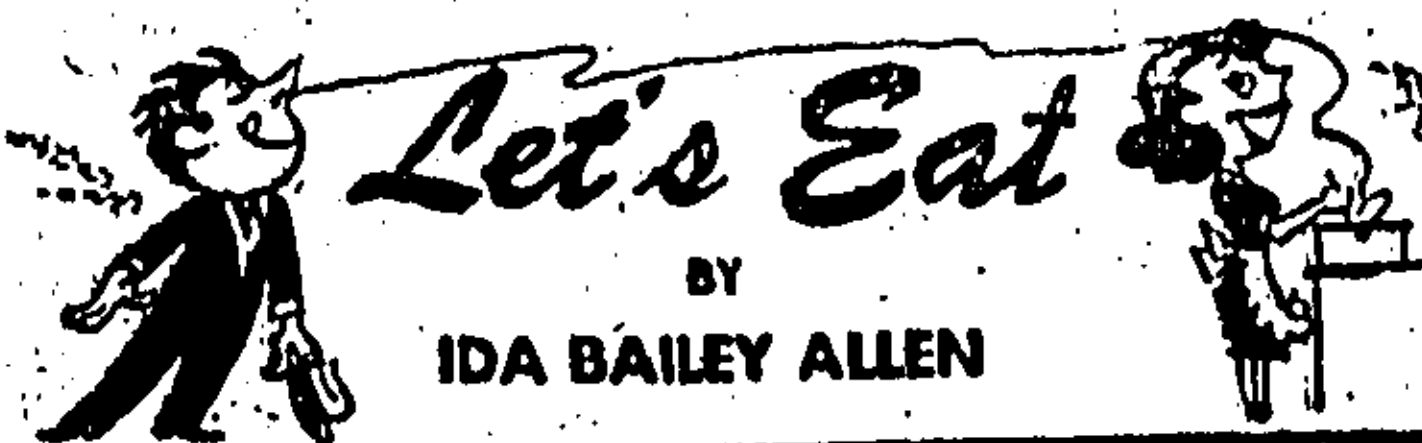
In some tightly woven fabrics the seam may be clipped to a width of a quarter of an inch, and then overcast. Stitches must be close together to protect the small seam. This gives a softer finish to a fine garment. A curved seam is good for yokes, waists, as well as for armholes. Clip edges to prevent puckering or pulling, then overcast them together or separately.

When one edge is longer, as in the case of a sleeve top, ease it in with the shorter edge. Pin first, holding the fullest part toward you.

### Keep in Shape

Taped seams appear in fine garments, for a taped seam is one of the most effective ways of keeping a garment in shape. Tape seams on loosely woven fabrics and seams that have great strain, to prevent stretching. Waistlines should always be taped, while armholes, yokes and necklines are all the better for taping.

In a circular-skirted garment there may be a sagging of back seams no matter how carefully it is hung, unless such seams are taped. Machine-stitch the tape or sew it with small running stitches to open seams on both sides of seamline. If both sides of seam are pressed in one direction, one row of stitching, close to seamline, is sufficient.



## From a Transport's Galley

**T**HE commissary was well-stocked with food when Monsieur Jean Ravaut, together with his Chef Patisserie and his Maitre d'Hotel went aboard the United States Navy Ship Upshur at 7 a.m. at the invitation of her Master, Captain Kenneth G. Towne, U.S.N., for "Operation Gourmet." The problem: to use, in preparing a luncheon, only the foods stocked for daily use in the ship's galley.

With the co-operation of Commander L. W. Le Forge, Jr., Director of Supply, the ship's chef Ravaut's men "set to" for the production of the finest "chow" ever served on a transport. M. Ravaut, 1 hasten to add, is a famous epicure and host of Le Biarritz, one of New York City's leading French restaurants.

In today's column we are featuring the highlight foods of the menu—unusual dishes, simplified for the home kitchen.

### MENU

Consomme Royale  
Filets Mignon  
Asparagus and Mushrooms  
Tossed Green Salad Rolls  
L'Omelette Surprise Souffle  
Coffee Tea Milk  
All Measurements Are Level  
Recipes Serve Four

### CONSOMME ROYALE

This is hot consomme garnished with custard royale. Tinned condensed consomme, diluted according to directions on the tin is satisfactory. To serve, ladle into soup plates and garnish with squares or diamond shapes of custard royale and a very little fine-minced parsley.

**Custard Royale:** Beat the yolks of 4 eggs until thick. Add 2/3 c. consomme; strain into a shallow bowl. Cover with waxed paper. Set in a pan of hot water and bring slowly to boiling point; reduce the heat and simmer 30 min. Remove from the water. Let the custard stand in the bowl until cold, then turn out and cut into squares or diamonds.

### FILETS MIGNON

Whether filets mignon or small steaks are used, the method of cooking is the same.

They should be seasoned and broiled on both sides 3 inches from a hot heat until well browned, then at a lower heat until medium well—about 12-14 min. for filets or steaks cut 1 inch thick. Baste with melted butter or margarine during the broiling process. (The filets are usually secured into snug rounds by a strip of bacon). When done, arrange on a platter. Top with Bearnaise sauce, and garnish with heated tinned or cooked fresh or frozen asparagus and sautéed fresh or tinned mushrooms, caps, grilled half tomatoes; and a bouquet of fresh watercress.

**Bearnaise Sauce:** Add 1 peeled sliced small onion to 3 tbsp. mild elder vinegar and 2 tbsp. tarragon vinegar; cook 2 min. Meanwhile beat the yolks of 3 eggs and strain in the vinegar. Set over hot water and stir continuously until the mixture thickens. Remove from the heat. Beat in 4 tbsp. butter, 1/2 tsp. at a time, work in each portion thoroughly before adding the next. Season with 1/2 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. cayenne. Serve at once.

### L'OMELETTE SURPRISE SOUFFLE

Cover a wooden bread board with waxed paper. On it place a 9-in. layer of sponge cake. Sprinkle with 2 tbsp. undiluted concentrated orange juice. Top with 1 pt. of carton ice cream frozen very hard and cut in 1-in. slices. Bring the ice cream almost to the edge of the cake. Dip with 2 tbsp. undiluted concentrated orange juice. Top with omelette souffle mixture and bake in a very hot oven, 425° F., until the souffle browns, about 10 min.

Note: M. Jean Ravaut of the Biarritz and all great chefs use Grand Marnier in place of the concentrated orange juice used in the above recipe.

**Omelette Souffle Mixture:** Separate 4 eggs. Put the whites in one bowl and 1 of the egg yolks in a second bowl. Beat the egg whites until almost stiff. Then gradually beat in 1/2 c. powdered sugar mixed with 1 tsp. flour. Add 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Beat and fold in the egg yolk together with 2 drops of olive oil to help blend the soufflé and hold it together so it will rise higher. Use as directed in the preceding recipe.

## Lemons Are Useful

**F**ULL of precious vitamin C for good health, full of flavour as they are, lemons are ready to do a good job around the house as well.

We were chatting with an expert on household metals, and he told us that one way to clean copper or brass, and an easy way it is, calls for rubbing the surface with a cut piece of lemon and salt.

Thoroughly wash with warm water and polish with a dry cloth. To clean aluminium pots that have become dull or black, just fill with water, add a sliced lemon and boil.

Cut glass is very fashionable again, and it is good to know that a cut lemon rubbed on cut glass will remove the greasy film that is apt to obscure its brilliancy.

### Simple Trick

And a good housewife tells us that there's a simple trick for keeping blankets beautiful when they're being washed. All she does is to use lemon juice in the rinse water in the ratio of the juice of one lemon to each two pounds of blanket. You'll find that this gives life and brilliancy to silk.

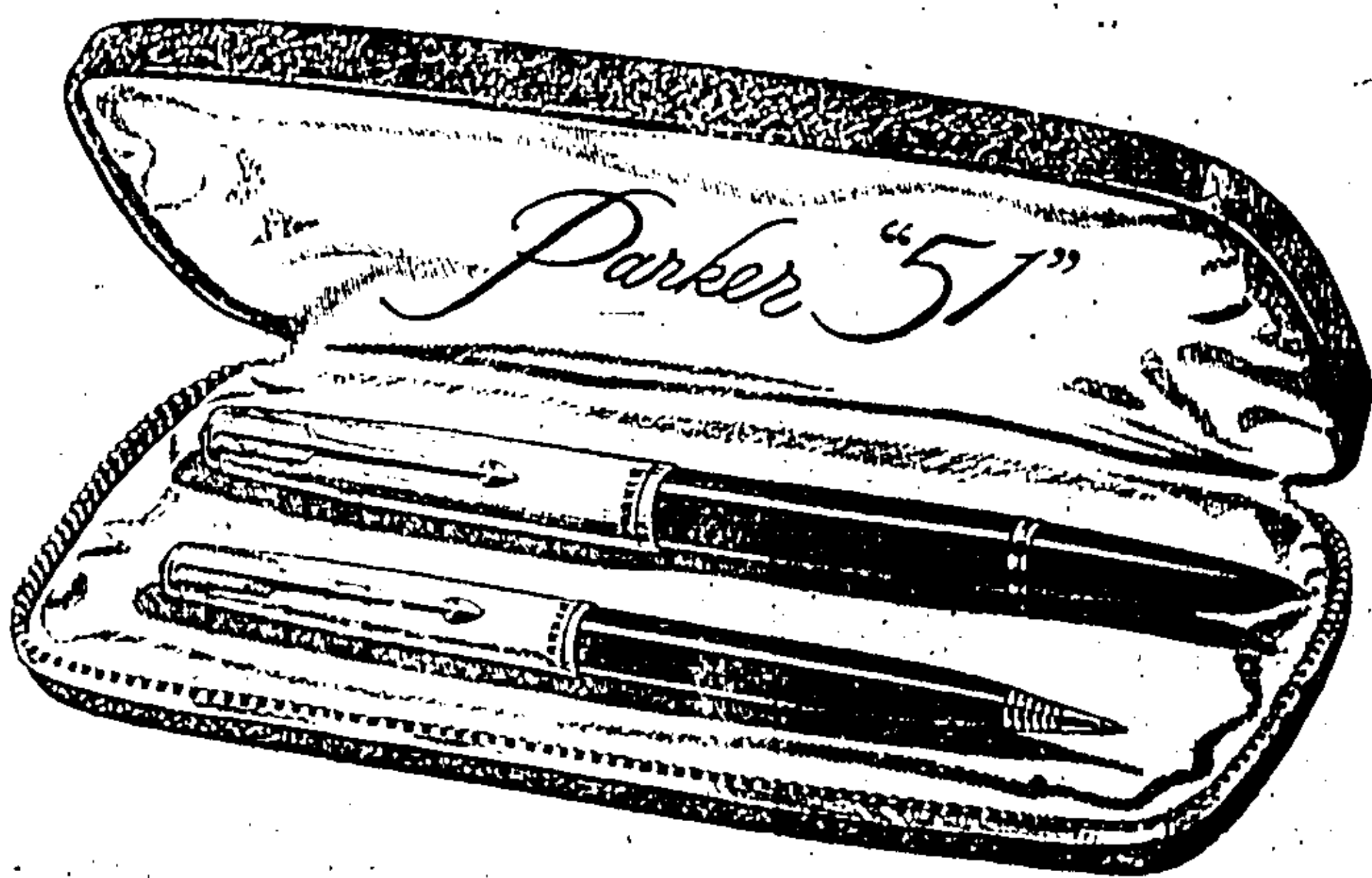
maintain resiliency and helps counteract shrinkage.

The lemon has plenty of other uses in the laundry, we have discovered. For one it is a good idea to use full-strength lemon juice on white wash fabrics to remove lipstick stains. On coloured wash fabrics, dilute the juice.

**Removing Stains**  
To do a good job of bleaching linen or muslin, moisten with lemon juice and spread on the grass in the sun. To remove fruit ink or rust stains on material that is both washable and colour-fast, rub spots well with lemon juice, cover with salt and place in the sun. Repeat process if necessary.

When cotton, linen or rayon has been greyed or yellowed by improper washing and rinsing, add the juice of one or two lemons to each three quarts of rinse water.

In washing silk lingerie, rinse every third time in water to which lemon juice has been added (one tablespoon lemon juice to each gallon of water). You'll find that this gives life and brilliancy to silk.



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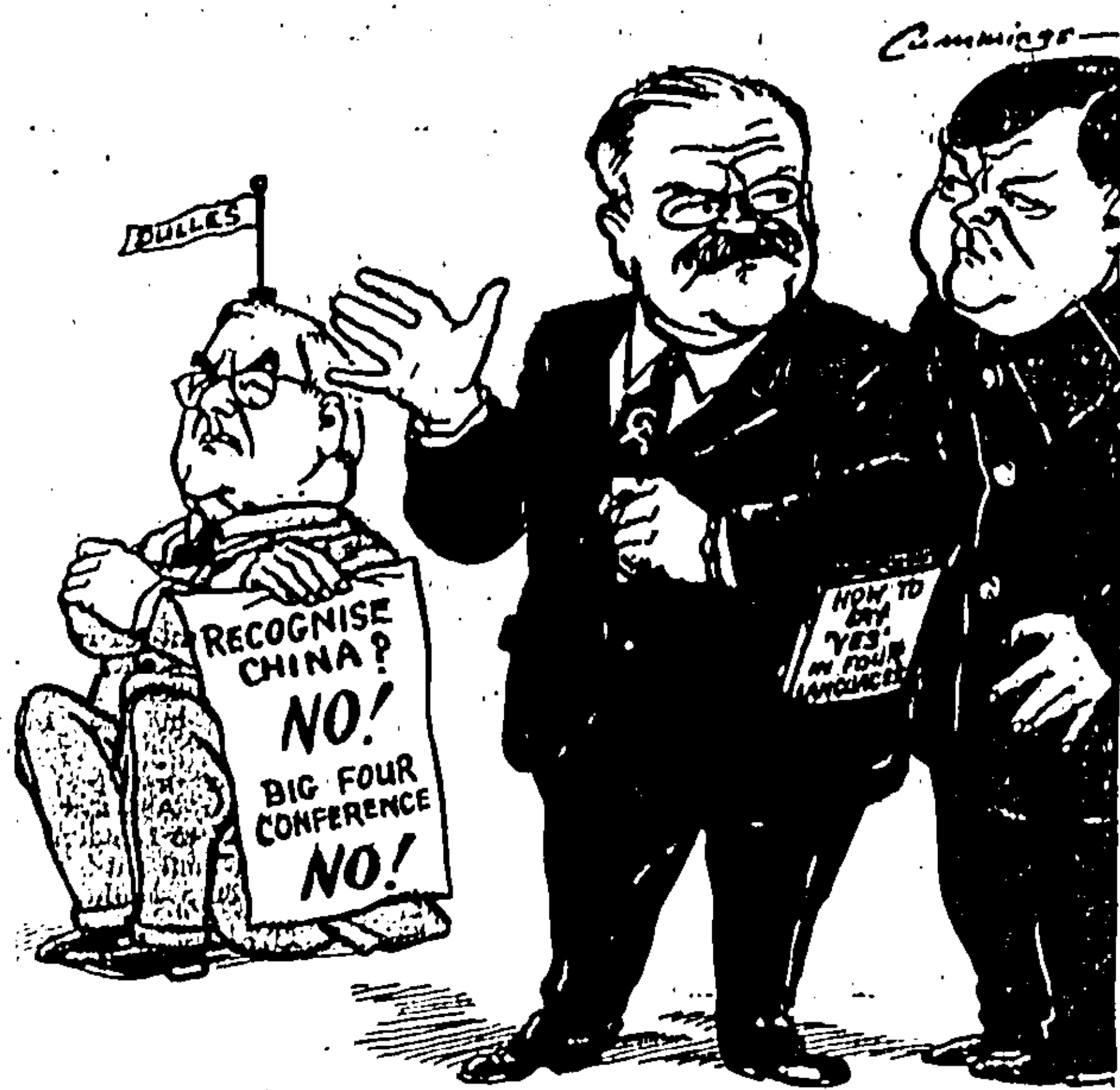
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**JOHN GORDON just back from Moscow makes his assessment of the main Russian problem today....**

## BEHIND MALENKOV'S SPEECH—you can hear the growls of the peasants

**I** RISK the suggestion that what has happened at the Supreme Soviet meeting in the Kremlin recently is of the most immense importance to us.

For here, it seems to me, we have the light we have so long sought thrown upon the internal conditions of Russia. In consequence we are now able to measure with some confidence, and for the first time, whether Russia intends a war or genuinely seeks peace.

luxurious; and his pledge that more money would be spent on agriculture—which in recent years has been badly neglected to let the money flow to the heavy industries.

What does that seem to indicate? That there has been trouble in the agricultural lands.

Many rumours of serious discontent have been seeping through the Iron Curtain in recent months. Now here, from the Kremlin itself, is the first clear indication that they may be true.

Put all this beside facts that are known, and the picture becomes significant.

The richest of the Soviet republics is the Ukraine. As recently as the beginning of July we know from disclosures made by the Ukrainian Communist Central Committee that the republic was suffering from severe shortages of food and essential goods, and that there had been breakdowns in essential services.

### New plan

The situation was serious enough to make the new rulers in the Kremlin anxious. Malenkov himself seems to have swung immediately into action.

It is known now, although it was not announced at the time, that the Council of Ministers under his chairmanship swiftly changed the five-year plan as it was then operating.

That plan gave priority to the production of machines and war material. Agriculture took second place. Perhaps a place even lower than second.

Malenkov at once changed the emphasis.

He ordered fewer machines; less war material; more food, more essential consumer goods.

He set himself to create the picture of a happy people reveling in abundance.

### Real clues

There is no need to waste time and thought on the Budget figures set before the Supreme Soviet. The Budget of a dictatorial country is shaped and produced not as a statement of facts but as a propaganda picture.

The same may be said for the glowing stories about rising production. It is as easy to "cook" production figures as it is to "cook" financial figures.

Indeed, the "cooking" of quota figures is now a national industry in Russia, as Russians will tell you frankly.

If we cannot accept Budget figures where then do we find the real clues to Russia's condition? I suggest in Malenkov's declaration that there is to be a tremendous stimulation in the production of consumer goods and in the sweeping concessions the Finance Minister made to the peasants' population—the urgency with which he stressed his intention to raise their living standards; the lowering of their taxation by 45 per cent; with a promise of more to follow; the declaration of

### Meat scarce

He filled the shops of Moscow and a few other large towns with food and a variety of goods such as the younger Russians had never seen before in their lives.

But that seems to have been a shop-window picture created at the expense of remote areas.

Outside Moscow and the few visitor-favoured towns there is not much evidence, if indeed any, of an improvement in the conditions of the people.

In places the food situation appears to be desperately difficult. For example, meat, which is abundant in Moscow, is not easily obtainable. If indeed it is obtainable at all—in the smaller towns.

The peasants still endure living standards below those of any civilised country.

Even in Moscow the picture was not quite as bright as Malenkov tried to paint it. For

example, he ordered a cut in retail prices in April. That seemed to indicate a coddling of plenty.

Part of the cheapening was a cut in the price of flour, which it was proudly claimed was on free sale. That seemed to indicate that the bread situation was reasonably easy.

But, in fact, there was at that time very little flour in Moscow for Muscovites to buy.

### Pretty grim

It is a fair assumption that if favoured Moscow could not get sufficient flour, the situation in less-favoured places must have been pretty grim. How grim in most areas cannot be ascertained with any exactitude.

But it is possible to get some idea of conditions in the rich—and therefore, it may be assumed, rather more fortunate—Ukraine. For these were disclosed by the Communist Central Committee in the report that seems to have shaken the Kremlin.

Many of the towns it was reported were without water or electricity. Supplies had broken down. The production of consumer goods was falling with disturbing rapidity. In one province output was only two-thirds what it had been two years ago.

Food was becoming a serious problem. The production of sugar, in which the Ukraine is normally rich, fell 50 per cent below the quota.

### Poor tools

The farmers were declaring angrily that they could not buy essential farming tools, clothing, boots, or urgently needed household goods. And they added, as Russians in all areas were saying, that what could be bought was of intolerably poor quality.

In July, we know also, there was much the same sort of trouble in Russia's border republics—Latvia, Lithuania, and Moldavia. Charges of "considerable mismanagement" were reported in the Russian newspapers.

In Latvia, misadministration of the Collective Farm system resulted in the dismissal of the party secretary. In Lithuania, there was similar farming trouble, on an even greater scale, which must have caused a considerable loss in food production.

In both republics stress was laid on the urgent necessity for dealing with "political deviations," from which it can reasonably be assumed that some hostility to the political system was developing.

In the Asian republics the ferment appears to be rising from other causes than economic ones. Chiefly a marked resurgence of nationalism. These peoples are becoming

## It's a stupid and crippling strike... BUT THE FRENCH JUST DON'T CARE

By SYDNEY SMITH

**H**E waited to telephone his home for 24 hours—48 hours—72 hours. Then his call came through. "Is all well?" he asked. "Oh, no, monsieur," said a distraught nursemaid. "Monsieur's home was burgled and wrecked last night." Said the dazed, stupefied, hungry, and thirsty caller: "That's all right, Marie, I am phoning the day before yesterday."

That's the kind of joke which is all the French get for £50,000,000—the so-far-calculated price of one of the stupidest and most crippling of many another strike.

Beginning with postal workers, 4,000,000 men and women were eventually called out on strike during August to protest against economy decrees worth £70,000,000 a year.

If the decrees go through—and they have not yet—they will pay for the strike and leave only £20,000,000.

So more decrees are on the way—more negotiations—maybe more strikes—more cash will be wasted, and on again with the old spiral—cost of living up and up, purchasing power down and down.

France, even with American aid, has been in the red for years. With tempers, pay cheques, and price tags as they are today, she is faced with more years of prosperous bankruptcy.

This seems to do no more to the average Frenchman than provide a source of rough humour over the best-filled menus and bottles in the world.

Were the French really worried by their mid-summer strike? No, they were not. So little, in fact, that they were plucked by what they describe as the foreign tourists' "panic" to get home.

### THEY JOKE

**THEY** had the good grace to joke about that too. "This is a dark plot by the landlords of Brighton, Blackpool, and Southend-sur-Mer to steal our tourists," they cracked.

That is another joke in the £50,000,000 class—and dear at the price.

Technically, the strike—unofficially, if one may so call it—ended last Saturday.

It has taken more than a full week for most of the strikers to drift back, and there are still a few scores of thousands out from the nationalised industries.

In fairness I must admit that the post and telephone workers who began the strike are the worst paid in France. The minor, the electrical worker, the engine driver, are all far better paid than the sweet but harassed telephone girl who cuts you off with Gallic charm—when she has time for the charm.

### BONUS DELAY

**H**ER money, when the cheapest lodgings and food and social security contributions have been "paid for," leaves her on average enough to buy one cheap, ready-made cotton dress a month; or one pair of poorly sewn shoes; or six really good meals.

Yet, for her and thousands of the other striking elvish servants an annual £20 bonus was voted two years ago, and they have still not got it.

So there has been hardly any ill-feeling against the strikes

this time—no barricades in the street, no marches against the police, in fact, very few police.

On any day during the height of it all you could stroll around Paris, take a taxi or a military bus, eat, drink, and sun yourself, and wonder what the fuss was all about.

Especially if you read the newspapers. There was a picture of a bronze Aly Khan, stripped to the waist, playing tennis with Gene Tierney.

There were photographs of a magnificent parade of mannequins in winter furs, carrying skins worth £1,000,000.

### PARADOXICAL

**T**HERE was news from over-heated Vichy to say that the mayor had authorised thousands of gallons of sparkling water to be sprayed on the roof tops to cool them, when a bottle of Vichy costs 2s. in Paris.

There was Zsa Zsa Gabor here and Zsa Zsa Gabor there, with brownier skin and brighter diamonds every time.

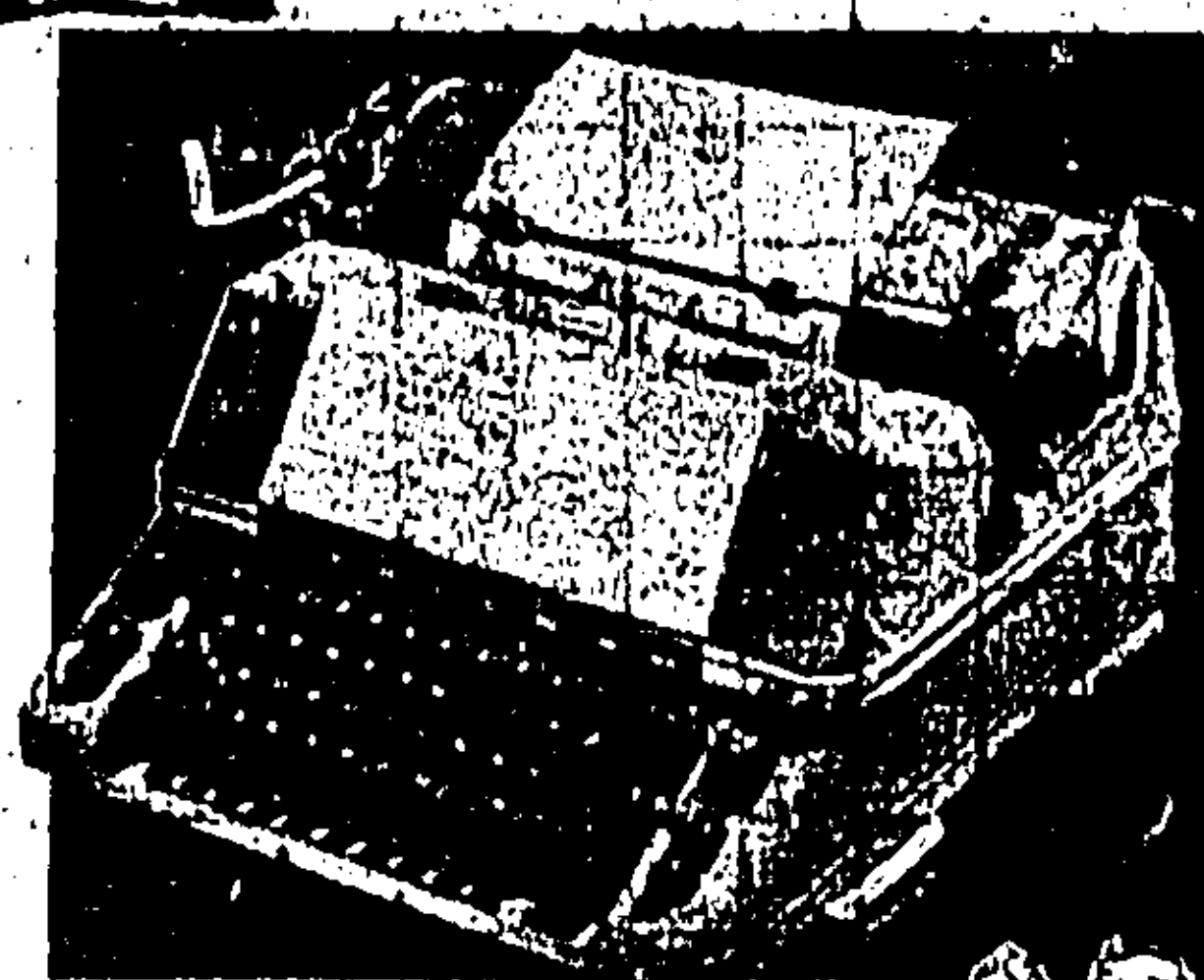
That was the paradoxical strike month in France. Everybody won something, from sun tan to a million at roulette. It looks as though the only losers were M. Laniel and his Government, who threw everything on Black and came out Red.

Government income, lost is calculated at £50,000,000. But the loss on the side, among private industry, and from there, by taxes to the Government, is incalculable.

But if you can find any trace of all that in depression, worry, or concern among average well-sun-scorched Parisian today (and I exclude the telephone operator, handling this call) then please have a vast beef-steak, cooked-in-foie gras, on me.

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## Moonshine Becomes A Racket

From HENRY LOWRIE

Washington. "Moonshine boys" are back in America and making fortunes out of illicit drink. Just as in the wild days of Prohibition.

Just how "big-time" the business is was revealed to a Congressional committee investigating America's excise tax situation.

R.E. Joyce, of New York, one of the liquor industry bosses, said the present liquor taxes were responsible for the return of the moonshining industry, which "robs the Federal and State treasuries of tens of millions of dollars, and is steadily growing."

Joyce added that, by furnishing an incentive to organised gangsters and racketeers, these taxes were imposing a social blight on the nation—that may prove difficult to erase.

### 20,000 stills

Last year more than 20,000 illegal stills were seized by the Government. They had a combined daily producing capacity of 604,000 gallons, representing a tax loss of over \$7,000,000 to the Federal Government alone for every day they operated.

During the past 18 months 20 stills were seized near New York, and they could produce up to 2,000 gallons of illegal liquor every day.

The stills were "built and operated by well-financed, well-organised criminal gangs which have established places of storage, 'dumps' for the bottling of moonshine, and well-organised channels of distribution. The stills cost up to \$100,000 dollars each.

The big-time city racketeer, said Joyce, has moved in on the moonshine business.

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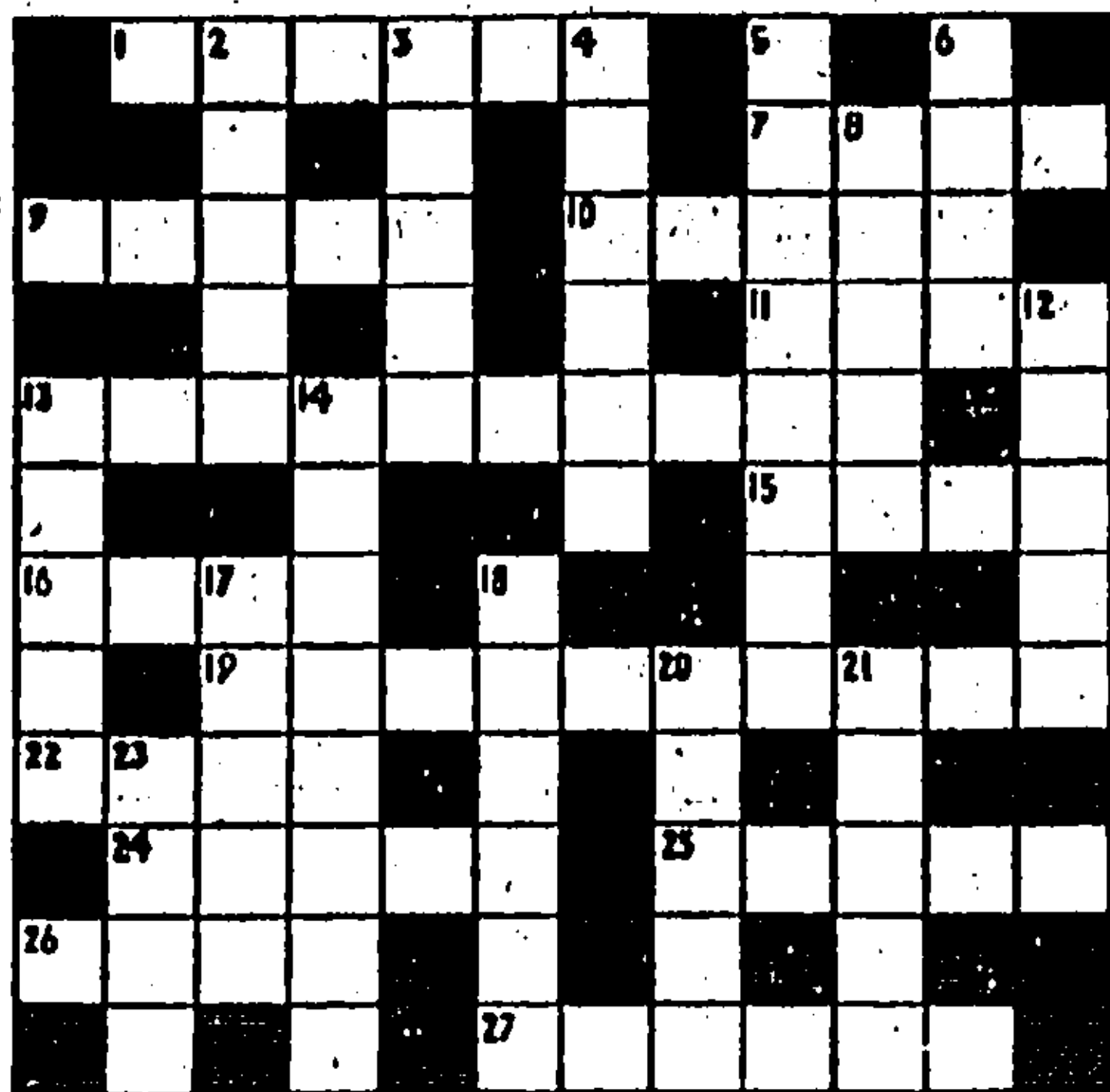
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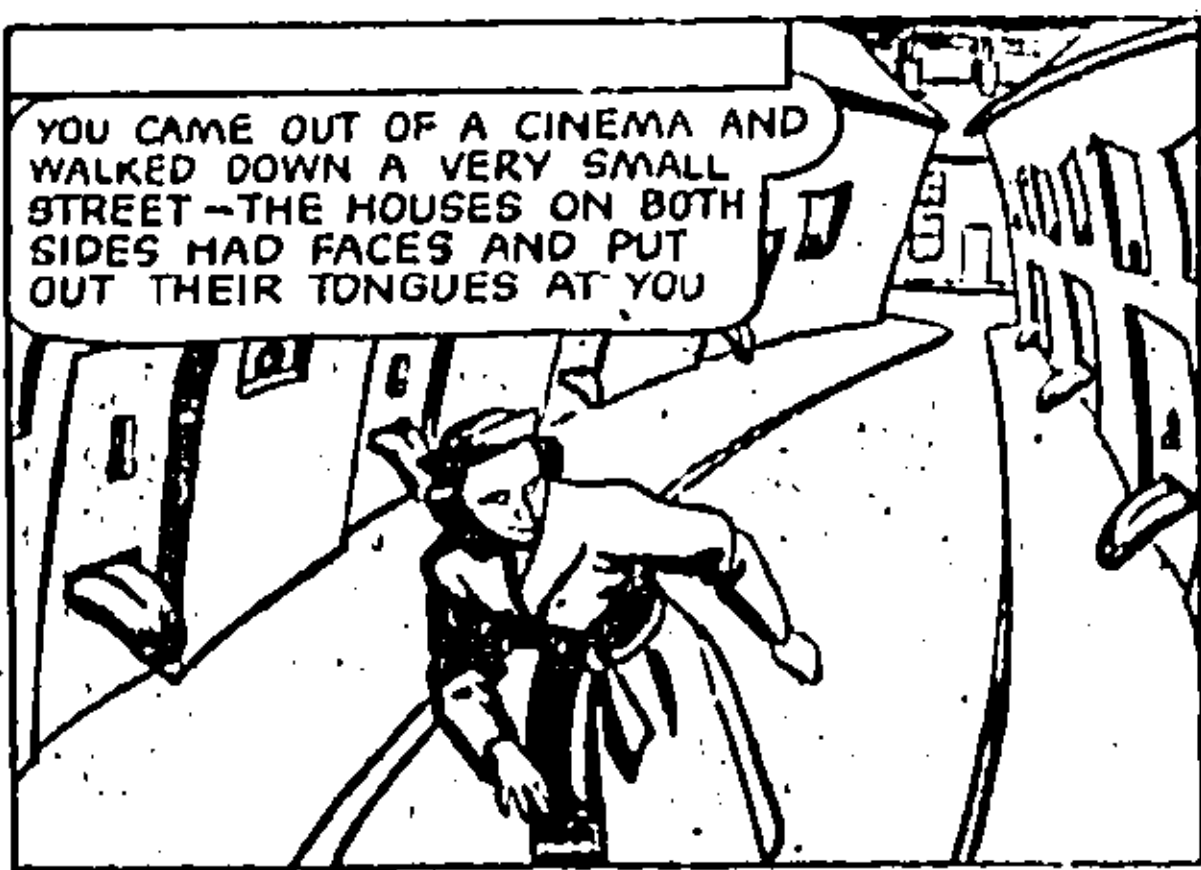


## A British Crossword Puzzle



- DOWN**
- 1 Wan (6).  
7 Appendix (4).  
9 Wrong (5).  
10 Not fresh (5).  
11 Damsel (4).  
13 Deter (10).  
15 Finishes (4).  
16 Horse (4).  
19 Deprive of ownership (10).  
22 Wells (4).  
24 Quoted (5).  
25 Scene of confusion (5).  
26 Ceremony (4).  
27 Scatters (6).
- ACROSS**
- 2 Assumed name (5).  
3 Laird (5).  
4 Witherless (6).  
5 Reels (8).  
6 Rank (4).  
8 Foreign (5).  
12 Endures (5).  
13 Vastness (5).  
14 Confines (5).  
17 Confers (5).  
18 Implements (6).  
20 Solemn (5).  
21 Joint (5).  
23 Sour (4).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD:** Across: 1 Execrable, 4 Essay, 7 Pined, 8 Smile, 10 Onus, 12 Prelate, 15 Spare, 16 Apex, 17 Epee, 19 Unite, 20 Descend, 21 Erse, 23 Storm, 24 Casual, 25 Crues, 26 Behind, Down: 1 Employed, 2 Confuses, 3 Laird, 5 Simulate, 6 Attire, 9 Trend, 11 Spectres, 12 Prune, 13 Aperture, 14 Expelled, 18 Pester, 22 Tale.



**THIS DREAM MEANS:** You are a very lonely person in the cinema you watch moving shadows but yourself take no part and are merely a passive spectator. The houses putting out their tongues represent the whole town, the whole community, which you feel are laughing at you, even your own people and your own home. You are in danger of becoming PALLANOID; paraNOLA is the vicious circle in which, through loneliness you think more and more ABOUT yourself and OF yourself; and more and more fear and suspect the motives of other people so that you cannot co-operate with them or enjoy their company. The less you meet people, the more you fear people, and consequently the less you meet them—and so it goes on.

Why not try to do a different person a kind turn each day?

## A PLAQUE MARKS THE SPOT...

## Fights, friedfish and beer at Sadler's Wells

ON Whit-Monday, 1844, "an obscure theatre in the north of London called Sadler's Wells" was opened by Samuel Phelps, actor, for the production of Shakespeare.

"Nearly the whole of my brethren in the profession, and many out of it, said it could not last a fortnight," said Phelps many years later. "It lasted 18 years. I acted 31 plays of all sorts, from aged Lear to youthful Pericles."

"That was a remarkable testimony to the fact that the poorer classes of London appreciated Shakespeare. Or did they? For Dickens paints a grim picture of the conditions under Phelps's regime."

"The play was Macbeth. It was performed amidst the usual medley of fights, foul language, cantos, shrieks, yells, oaths, blasphemy, obscenity, apples, oranges, nuts, biscuits, ginger-beer, porter, and pipes—pipes of every description were at work in the gallery, and pipes of all sorts and sizes were in full blast in the pit."



Samuel Phelps lived here.

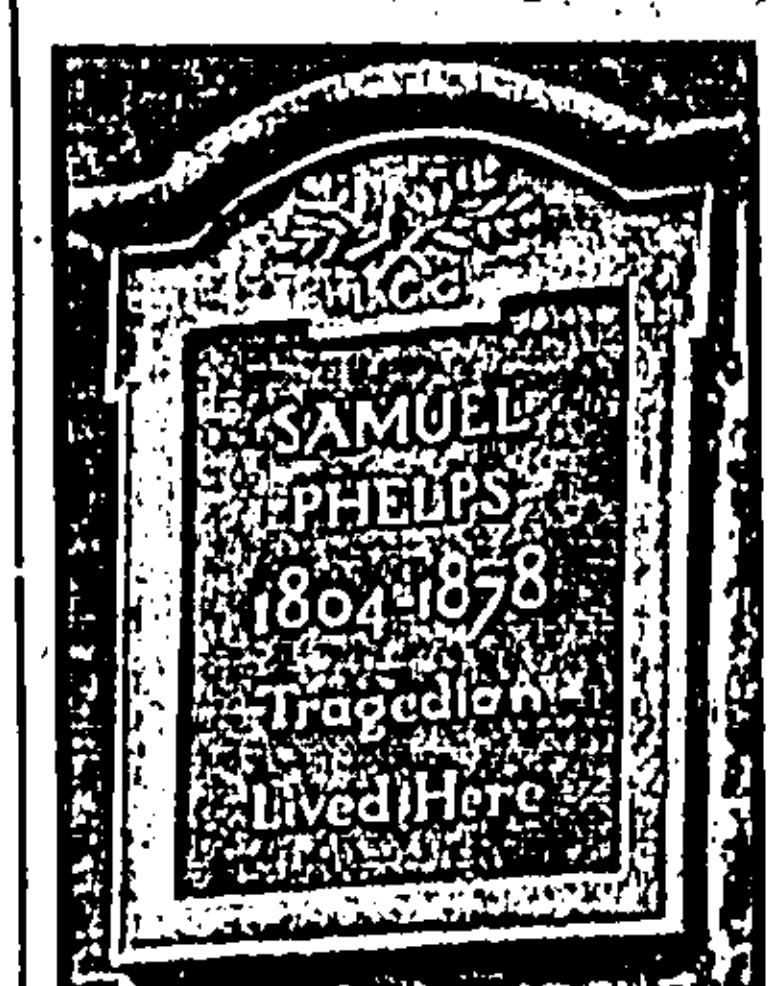
scripture were at work in the gallery, and pipes of all sorts and sizes were in full blast in the pit."

"Cans of beer, each with a pint measure to drink from, were carried through the dense crowd at all stages of the tragedy.... Fish was fried at the entrance doors, barricades of oyster shells encumbered the pavement...."

Attempts to clear up this racket met with vigorous opposition.

Phelps was born at Devonport in February, 1804, the son of a naval officer, and became an actor in 1820.

After giving up Sadler's Wells he continued to play at Drury Lane. He died on November 6, 1878, at Epping, and a plaque was placed on his London home, 8 Canonbury Square, Islington, in 1911.



The plaque on the wall.

## PARADE

A COLUMN OF THE UNUSUAL ABOUT PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

**LEMONADE, INDEED!** The burly men who roll the barrels into one of Britain's largest pub chains sat down with pained looks on their faces and threatened a strike.

Their complaint was over a bottle of lemonade—a bottle of lemonade which the management wanted to substitute for a half-pint of beer.

For years the happy draymen have collected a free pint at every pub on their routes. And, with swift trucks replacing horse-draws almost everywhere, and more stops on each route, a drayman's lot has been a happy one.

But a pint of beer costs anything up to one shilling and sixpence these days, and the management felt the men could get along with less.

So they ordered the traditional pint to be replaced by a half pint and a bottle of lemonade. (Mixed, they make shandy.)

The draymen weren't having any. Lemonade, indeed! You mean people DRINK the stuff?

They called an emergency meeting and sent an ultimatum to the management—the full pint or we strike.

The management gave in.

When it arrived, a Russian general was in command of operations.

**'ORRIBLE ORSON** Bulky movie-maker-actor Orson Welles is readying himself for a satirical swipe at Europe's millionaire bohemians.

Currently in Cannes for the film festival, he has troubled wealthy all-year-round vacationers with carefully-dropped hints about a book he has just finished.

Particularly disturbed are certain of permanent English butterfly colony, who somehow manage to keep a place in the sun despite a foreign-spending annual limit of little more than 100 dollars.

It could be that author Welles might unheedingly drop some hint that would start Britain's Chancellor of the Exchequer "Tab" Butler asking question.

But even at that, most of the English colony have nice pat answers ready for such an occasion.

The young Englishman who lost more than twenty times his usual foreign allowance at baccarat, for instance, explains that he is part owner of a foreign bank and technically a "resident abroad."

One quizzing newspaperman who tried to pin down some of his fellow-Britons, gave up, cracked wearily: "Dear Mr Butler—Everyone is beyond reproach."

Also in Cannes for the film festival, the one American jurymen, film tough-guy Edward G. Robinson said between chomps

at a cigar-butt: "I'm used to being the guy on the stand. I don't know why they picked me for this."

**HOOT MON! YOU'RE ILLITERATE** To get into Northern Rhodesia, you have to speak English like an Englishman. Or so it seems....

Fourteen Indians faced deportation proceedings in Ndola because "illiterates" are prohibited immigrants. Their lawyers registered a long list of their clients' academic qualifications. Then they wound up: "English as spoken by Asians is not the same as English spoken by an Englishman."

"But an Englishman is often unable to understand a Scotsman. Does that mean the Scotsman is illiterate?"

Nine of the men were deported; five won their cases.

**VERY FISHY** It's enough to turn a goldfish grey what's happening in the 500-year-old crypt of Dudley Castle.

Once a long-term lodging for recalcitrant serfs, the crypt is now tropical aquarium for Dudley Zoo, housed in the battlemented castle.

Somehow, it seems a poltergeist has got in among the pieces. Spectral voices whisper kind dead secrets over the water. Doors open and shut when no one is about. Valuable fish disappear overnight. Where? The mind boggles. Air filtering gear is being damaged.

At first angry Zoo men wrote it off as the doings of piscatorial piffers; set cotton-thread traps and mounted special guards.

The haul? Just a load of dank air. Now worried authorities plan to "call in" psychic rescue experts to exorcise the malign influence.

And, in the meantime, keeper Ray Hadley has asked for a transfer from the aquarium to the bear pit.

**RED GOLF** A shipment of red golf balls is on its way to the Kingdom of Cocos, a tiny island in the Indian ocean.

Cocos is now a stop on the Quantas Empire Airways route from Australia to London, and workmen have laid out a narrow golf course alongside the 10,000-foot runway.

White golf balls proved useless on the glaring white coral.

**EASY WAY** Bus passengers in Termoli, South Italy, stirred only slightly when a perspiring group clambered aboard with a long white bundle.

But inside the sheet which covered the bundle was a corpse. The bearers were friends and relatives of the deceased who told they must fill in forms and wait until the next day to claim the body, stole it from the local hospital.

**PARTY GIRL** A 10-year-old shop girl went to a Wellington (New Zealand) party, found there weren't enough men to go around and called the fire brigade to come along and help out.

They refused, so she called again, claiming the house was on fire. A magistrate fined her £17.

## Mr. Chandler's formula

WHEN IN DOUBT—HAVE A MAN COME IN WITH A GUN

**RAYMOND CHANDLER** brings to the writing of thrillers the precise feeling for words expected of one who is a Quaker on both sides of the family (father, American; mother, Irish); and the interest in swift and complicated action of one who was born in Chicago and educated at Dulwich.

by **GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON**

He is capable of pausing in a story of multi-murder to sniff "the harsh, wild smell of the sea" or to surprise on the lips of a newly

entered character "the faint dry remote smile of the killer."

He has the instinct for a well-sited adjective of one who, made £3 a week in London writing verses for the Westminster Gazette and the Spectator. He has the social realism of one who has lived in a Bloomsbury boarding house at 9s. 6d. a week (bed and breakfast).

The latter quality inspires Chandler's advice to thriller-writers: "If you stop to think, you are lost. When in doubt, have a man come through the door with a gun in his hand." Chandler is frequently in doubt during the 632 (large) pages of his Omnibus, which contains four choice specimens of his art: The Big Sleep, Farewell, My Lovely, The High Window, The Lady in the Lake.

## Four Episodes

They are four famous episodes in the life of Philip Marlowe, Chandler's favourite detective, a sardonic, stoical personality, admirable rather than endearing, with an eye for women ("I sat down and looked at Mrs. Regan. She was worth a stare. She was trouble") but with a preference for a pint of whisky. Equally at his ease with tycoons of the vice industry and with the corrupt forms of police life, at home alike in plush gambling clubs and his own dusty office (main items of equipment: an empty filing system and a half-empty bottle), Marlowe is a crusader for right and virtue at a fee of 25 dollars a day, plus expenses.

Marlowe hankers after violent simplicity as the solution to complex problems, and has a reasoned dislike of mankind, especially his own clients. With his gift for ill-mannered but well-phrased repartee, he might have come out of a lost book by Hemingway.

In fact, he came out of the inventive brain of an ex-London journalist, who graduated to fiction via consultancy in a Californian oil company. With Marlowe's help, Chandler now has a 40,000-dollar house in San Diego among the "wealthy people and their parasites," who are the closely observed and detested victims of the world of Philip Marlowe.

## Canny Criticism

Chandler says in canny self-criticism, "As I look back on my own stories, it would be absurd if I did not wish they had been better." Adds, with the canner realism of the ex-accountant: "But, if they had been much better they would not have been published."

Chandler's stories evolve in the direction of quietness; subtle presentation of character. They appeal to the intelligence without letting up in their war on the nerves. They are still faithful to the good old pattern: "When in doubt, a man comes through the door with a gun in his hand."

\* The Raymond Chandler Omnibus: Hamlyn: 29s.

## VIGNETTES OF LIFE

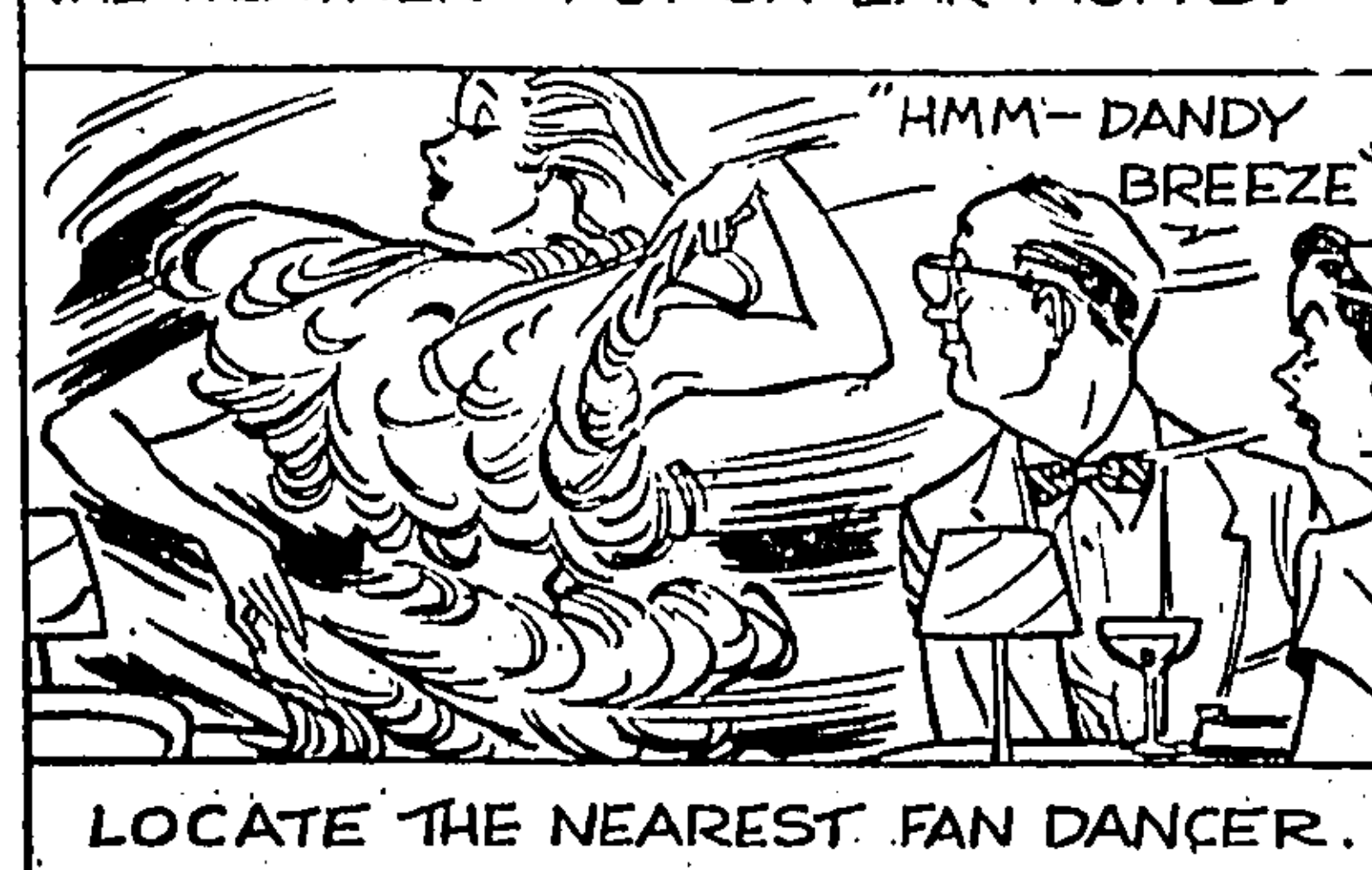
## How To Beat The Heat

BY HARRY WEINERT



"SCORCHER—EH?" "IT ISN'T THE HEAT—IT'S THE HU—"

IF YOU GET TIRED OF HEARING ABOUT THE WEATHER—PUT ON EAR MUFFS.



"HMM—DANDY BREEZE"

LOCATE THE NEAREST FAN DANCER.



"WHERE ARE YOU GOING IN THAT WEIRD OUTFIT? GO IN AND GET DRESSED"

"BUT YOU SAID—"

YOU CAN'T WIN—HE TOOK HER ADVICE AND GOT HIMSELF SOME NICE, COOL, SENSIBLE CLOTHES.



"O.K. BUSTER—YOU CAN BAIL OUT—THE PLUMBER IS HERE"



TRY STRATEGY WHEN A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY MAKES LIKE A POLAR BEAR.



THINK OF SOME OF THE NASTY, COLD STUFF YOU HAD TOO MUCH OF LAST WINTER.



LEAVE IT TO THE SPROUTS TO SOLVE THE BASIC PROBLEM.



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"YUNNAN"	Dilligata, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar	8 a.m. 13th Sept.	10 a.m. 14th Sept.
"FENGTIEN"	Tientsin	10 a.m. 14th Sept.	10 a.m. 15th Sept.
"HUPEI"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	8 a.m. 15th Sept.	10 a.m. 16th Sept.
"SHENGKING"	Kobe	8 a.m. 16th Sept.	10 a.m. 17th Sept.
"PETER REED"	Sibu & Tandjong Maut	8 a.m. 24th Sept.	10 a.m. 25th Sept.

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"YUNNAN"	Shanghai	6 p.m. 11th Sept.	6 p.m. 12th Sept.
"HUPEI"	Tientsin	10th Sept.	10th Sept.
"FENGTIEN"	Singapore & Tandjong Maut	13th Sept.	13th Sept.
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Sails	Arrives
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S. "ASCANIUS" ... do	25th Sept.
G. "CALAPENOR" ... do	28th Sept.
S. "CALCHAS" ... do	3rd Oct.
G. "TELEUS" ... do	13th Sept.
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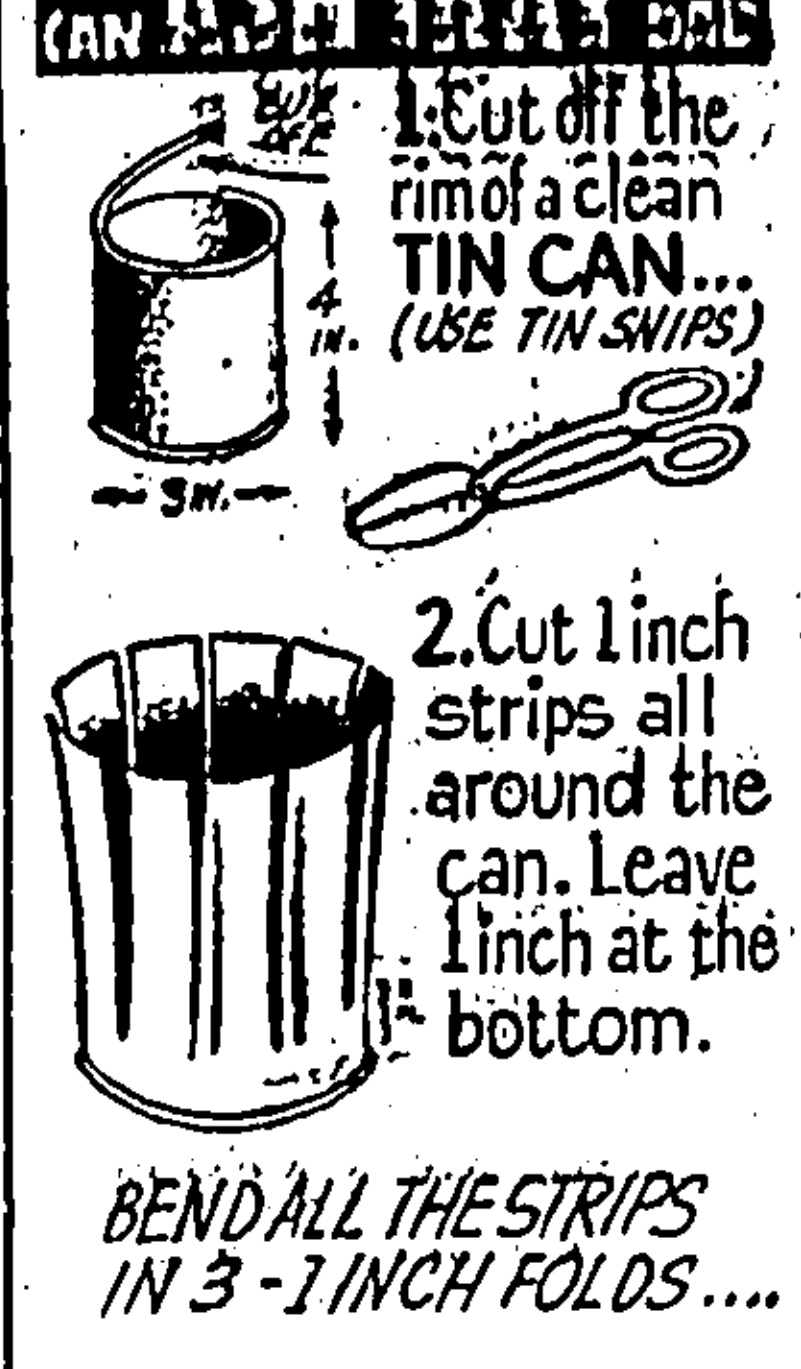
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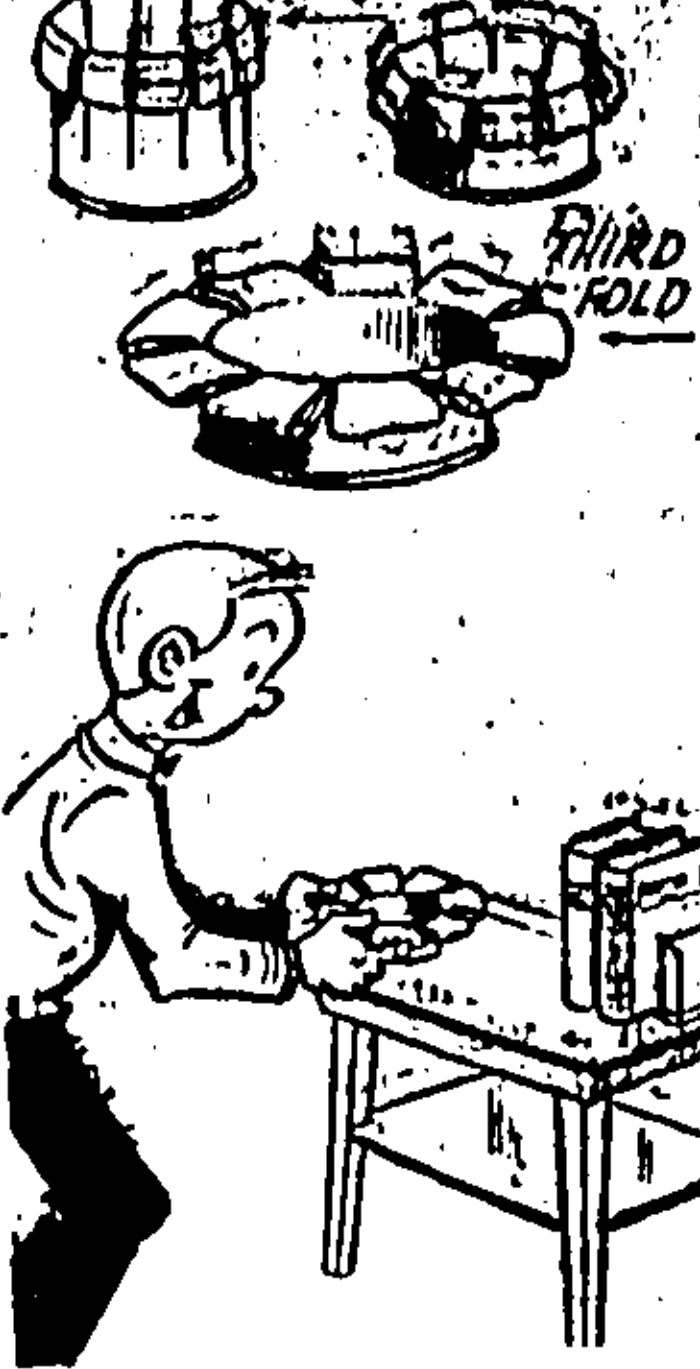
# the BOYS and GIRLS PAGE

## TIN SHIP FOR BOYS



BEND ALL THE STRIPS IN 3-1 INCH FOLDS...

## PUZZLES TO TEST YOUR WITTY-WIT



ACROSS

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# PRE-SCHOOL OLYMPICS TO WIND UP HOLIDAYS

By IRMA HEGEL

ARE you in shape for school? Here's your chance to find out! New contests and old-timers welcome. Bring a pal. Wear white shorts and T-shirts.

**Marathon Walk**  
Discuss Throwing  
Broad Jump  
High Jump  
Great Gatski, the Hammer-Thrower  
Wrestling  
Chafes Race  
Wind up Olive Wreath and Prize Picnic Supper

Organise a neighbourhood Olympics as the last picnic

## Ting-A-Ling Buys A Basket

—And He and the Shadows Are Very Glad He Did—

By MAX TRELL

KNARE and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, were visiting their friend Ting-A-Ling at the bottom of the Blue China Place. After Ting-A-Ling had served them with a bowl of tea and a basket of lichee nuts, the door bell suddenly rang.

Knare and Hanid and Ting-A-Ling all went to see who it was. There was a very fat man, with rosy cheeks and a hair on his head. He was carrying a big basket on his back. And the pockets of his coat were bulging.

"What's in it?"

"Good morning," said the man. "Would any of you care to buy what I've got in my basket?"

Ting-A-Ling said: "We'd like to know what's in your basket before we tell you whether we care to buy it."

The man with the rosy cheeks and the hair on his head smiled and said: "There's no trick to that. Anyone can buy when they know what they're buying! It's much harder to buy when you don't know what you're buying."

"But," said Hanid, "maybe your basket is empty."

"Maybe it is," said the man. "Then, again, maybe it isn't! Maybe it's filled with all kinds of wonderful things!"

Knare said Ting-A-Ling and said to a boy who was standing next to him: "We'd like to know what's in your basket before we tell you whether we care to buy it."

Ting-A-Ling said: "We'd like to know what's in your basket before we tell you whether we care to buy it."



"I think we ought to try it," Knare said to Ting-A-Ling.

Ting-A-Ling took the first cracker out of the basket, and they all looked at it. "I don't know," said Ting-A-Ling, "whether we ought to be disturbed by this. You can never tell about firecrackers. Sometimes they just go BOOM! And that's the end of them. I should like to think we went to all the trouble to buy this firecracker and have nothing for our money but a BOOM."

"It might be a big boom!" said Knare.

Hanid shook her head. "I don't like firecrackers. Even if this one makes a big boom, I'm sure I won't like it."

**Might Be Different**

"Well," said Ting-A-Ling, "there's nothing we can do except shoot it off. I guess, we'd better wait until tonight, because, he added, it might not be a boom firecracker after all. It might be a different kind. It might sizzle or fizzle or whizz."

So they waited until it got dark and then they all went out into the open fields behind the garden, taking the firecracker with them. Ting-A-Ling set it up against a rock. "All ready," he said, "whenever you want to shoot it off. I'll be back!"

Time out now for the Great Gatski to give his record-breaking HAMMER-THROW. Have six boys take out the "hammer" in a box, straining and bending under the load. The hammer is, however, a light, light balloon, tied ever so tightly to a string. Gatski flicks his hand, yanks the chain and balloon from the box and proceeds to fling it in the best hammer-throw manner. Either the string will break and the balloon fly away, or the balloon will pop. Either result is good for a laugh.

Markets will be needed for the BROAD JUMP, two clothes poles doing the trick. Lay them horizontally upon the grass at an even distance from one another. The first prize goes to the boy who can jump the farthest without touching the poles.

For the HIGH JUMP, set the poles upright and measure the height each contestant leaps into the air. High jump scores the winner.

**WRESTLING** should be on the busy side. Draw a circle, have two contestants cross hands and attempt to push one another out of the circle. The first one stepping over the line drawn is the loser.

The CHARIOT race calls for a fast horse, a fast driver, two strong hands in front, one clamping the shoulders of the two in back. All left feet up. If the horse or feet drop the racing chariot is disqualified at once. Horses are disqualified at once if they fall back to the judge's stand.

Everyone who has won a leafy crown must parade again and bow before the judges to receive his prize.

**DE-TAILED WORDS**

De-tail "a kind of horse" and have "a deer", repeat and have "a deer", again and have "a deer".

**TRIANGLE**

This triangle is based on RODENTS. The second word is "therefore", third "a word", fourth "No challenge", fifth "a black bird", and sixth "most painful". Now finish the triangle.

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**Rupert and the Pepper-Rose—27**

When the day broke, a very big tree in the garden of a dark house at its base, but Rupert paused and peeped in there long one of the limbs reaching and beckoned.

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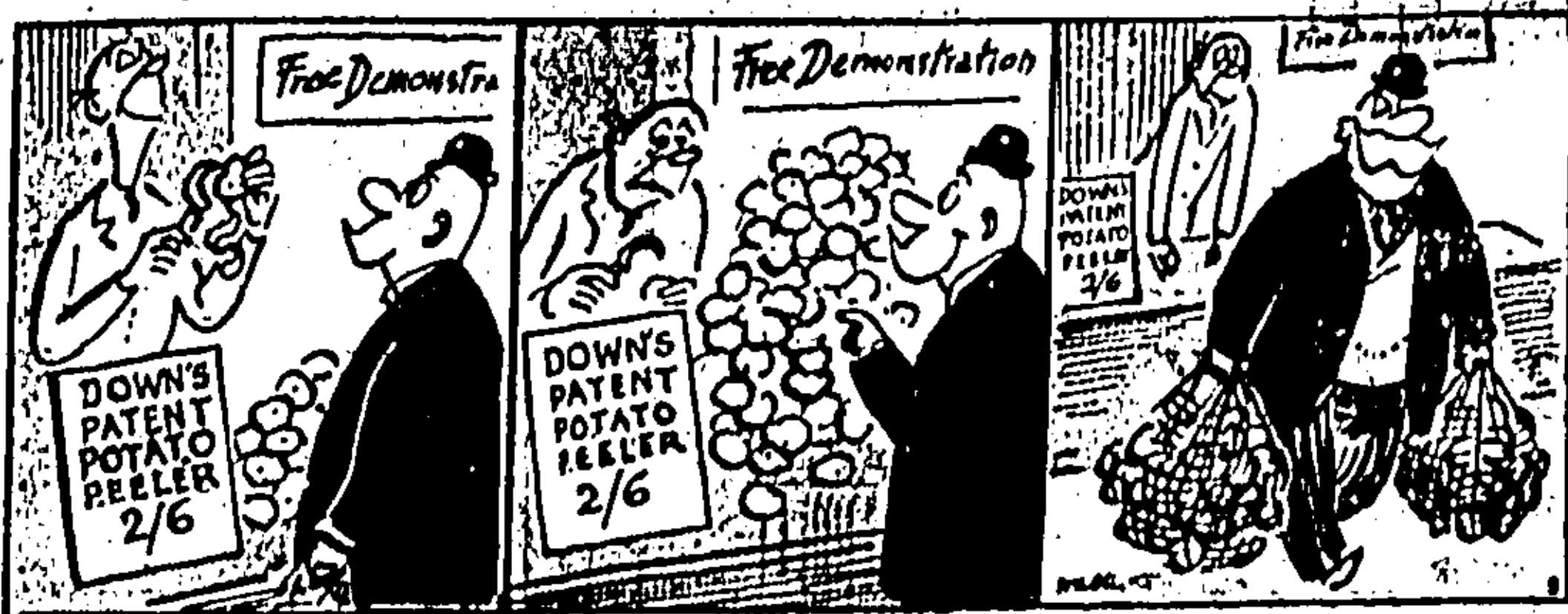
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## Colonel UP and Mr. DOWN... by Walter



## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Normal Bid Wasn't Enough to Cash In

NORTH		
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♦ 10 8 5		
♣ 10 5 4		
WEST		
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♥ 3 2		
♦ 7 4 3 2		
♣ J 10 2		
EAST (D)		
♠ K J 5		
♥ 10 9 5		
♦ Q J 9		
♣ A K 8 7		
SOUTH		
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♥ A K Q J 8 7		
♦ A K		
♣ A 3		
Both sides vul.		
East South West North		
1 ♠ 4 Double Pass 1 ♠		
Pass 4 ♥ Pass Pass		
Opening lead—♠ 2		

By OSWALD JACOBY

NOBODY can quarrel with the bidding of today's hand. East had a perfectly reasonable opening bid, and South was justified in blasting his way to game since he could count nine tricks in his own hand.

Three no-trump would, of course, have been a better contract than four hearts. South had no way, however, of knowing that his partner could stop the clubs. For all South could tell, the opponents might rattle off the first five or six tricks against a no-trump contract.

West opened the deuce of clubs, dummy played low, and East won with the king. When South dropped the nine of clubs on this trick, East was not a bit surprised. Both the bidding and the opening lead indicated that South might have a singleton club.

Not wanting to have his ace of clubs ruffed away, East decided to shift to another suit. He returned the queen of diamonds, and South promptly proceeded to make his game contract.

South won with the ace of diamonds, led out five rounds of trumps, and then cashed the ace of diamonds. South came down to three spades, a trump and a club. When East saved three spades, the ace of clubs and a diamond, he found himself thrown in by a club lead.

East tried to get out by leading his last diamond, but South simply discarded a spade instead of ruffing. East then had to lead away from his king of spades, allowing declarer to make both the ace and the queen.

East should have set the contract by cashing the ace of clubs at the second trick. He could then get out safely with a diamond, and South would eventually have to lose two spade tricks.

It was foolish for East to worry about the possibility that South might ruff the ace of clubs. It would do no harm to establish dummy's queen of clubs, since East could tell that declarer could never get to dummy to cash that club.

## CARD SENSE

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been: West North East South 3 Hearts 3 Spades. Pass?

You, South, hold: Spades K-10-2, Heart 4, Diamonds A-K-Q-J-7-3, Clubs A-5-2. What do you do?

A—Bid six spades. It is almost impossible to construct a hand for your partner that will not give him a fine play for a small slam. Since you do not intend to try for a grand slam, your best bet is to bid the small slam at once and let the opponents guess at the opening lead.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

BORN today, you are an intellectual in the true sense of the word. You enjoy all mental pursuits and feel that mind does have a very definite control over matter. You have a deep understanding of the motivations of others and you are good at judging others. You can size up a person accurately at first sight and are rarely, if ever, mistaken. You would do well in a job which calls for personnel work, counselling or efficiency analysis.

You have a good sense for business detail and will probably make plenty of money during your lifetime. It all depends upon whether you want a fortune enough to work hard for it. Your temperament is a little too volatile, sensitive and even at times moody, to stay "put" in some routine business job, even if it did make you a fortune. Unless there is a certain amount of excitement and adventure on the type of business you undertake, you may not stick to it long enough to amass that fortune.

You enjoy living and want to know all there is to know about everything. You are a little too apt to clutter up your life with too many interests all at one time. You go from one thing to another, as your mood indicates. Learn to start one job and finish it before you go on to the next. Your ideals are high and you are always trying to reach a peak of perfection in everything you do. You have a high temper, too, and must learn to keep it under strict control. You are loyal and devoted to those you love, but you are not one to place your affections anywhere without giving it good, long thought. Your marriage, even if it comes later on in life, should be an exceptionally happy one. To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—After your spiritual deviations, your day of rest can also be one of pleasure. Relax, jingling nerves!

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Church attendance can bring you a spiritual calm which can increase your happiness in life.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—All work can make you a very dull person, indeed. Plan to arrange some of your time for pleasure.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If a problem proves perplexing, seek spiritual advice and you may be able to solve it more easily.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—A family group on a picnic can bring increased happiness today. Pile everyone into the car and get away!

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Attend the church of your choice and you will receive spiritual inspiration and give your spirits an uplift.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

BORN today, there are two sides to your nature which are apt, at times, to be in minor conflict unless you learn to reconcile them rather early in life. Although you are positive and determined when it comes to matters of business or your work, you are much too easily influenced in matters of your affections. You're apt to "wear your heart on your sleeve" and let the world know when you're in love. You are the type who would carry a torch for a broken romance for a long, long time.

But this is all different when it comes to your career! You have a long head in handling business and financial matters and your emotions have little to say about what you do then. You may be considered a rugged character outside your own home, but with members of your family and those you love, you're just an old softy!

Since you are a good organizer and know how to meet people and influence them to work under your leadership, you can become a powerful influence in the circle in which you move. You want harmony in your life and very often make what seem to be concessions to secure peace. Actually, you only make those concessions you deem absolutely necessary. When it comes to matters of personal principle, you will stick up for what you believe and if necessary fight for it. It is this complexity of nature which makes you rather a difficult person to understand.

Since you are one that might fall in love at first sight, you should think things over carefully before you wed. Be sure that it is love and not infatuation. If it is love, then your measure of marital happiness can be exceptionally bountiful.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—end up by taking sides! That if you know you are right, then take a firm stand and stick to it. You can win out over opposition.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Don't be too quick to criticize others. Be sure that your own actions are quite above reproach, first.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Be alert today so that you can avoid errors in your work which could cause trouble later on.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Sympathy and understanding are two of the foundations of lasting friendship; friendship brings happiness.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Even though opposed on some major point of decision, if you are sure you are right, fight for what you want.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—You can go far today, if you place your eyes on an important objective and pursue it conscientiously.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Originality will pay excellent dividends for you just now. A good time to show your initiative.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—If you haven't been able to get away for the long week-end, why not take a one-day trip in the out-of-doors.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—If you are called in to umpire a dispute, be sure that you don't

## BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

A FEW remarks about bad behaviour in picture-galleries disappointed me. They omitted such obvious breaches of taste as sticking chewing-gum on the pictures, striking matches on them, and scratching them to see if the paint comes off.

But they also failed to mention the correct behaviour for one who wants to appear to be a connoisseur. Such a one must lean his head first to one side, then to the other, hold his thumb up (without wetting it—"wind variable on high ground") a few inches from his face, bend down and look up at the picture, purse the lips, shake the head, mutter, advance a step or two, draw back a step or two, peer over the back of the left hand held up on a level with the eyes, and so on. If everybody went on like this, it would be more fun.

P.S.—It is overdoing it to bend over and look at a picture from between the legs.

## Narkover news

DR SMART-ALLICK recently paid the ransom money for a history master kidnapped by a gang. But the Narkoverian, in its current issue, says that the leader of the gang is a close friend of the headmaster, and that the money used to ransom the prisoner was stolen by a junior master, and handed to Smart-Allick to pay card debts. The affair is complicated by the fact that the junior master had

stolen the money from the leader of the kidnapping gang. Smart-Allick, summoned by the Governors of the School to explain, said, "It's better to keep such things in the family, as it were."

## In passing

STATISTICS should be presented in a picturesque fashion. I have just read that "Britain is approaching starvation at the rate of 13½lb of meat, 18 loaves, 40 pints of milk and 70 eggs a minute," owing to the increasing encroachments on agricultural land. By the time every village has an airfield, a motor-racing track, and a few Government offices, the Argentine should be able to make quite a decent profit from selling us bits of meat.

## Twenty Years of Upgaur

PUGLITZ did some practicing in her suite at the Hotel—yesterday. A maid reported a terrible noise coming from the suite. "It sounds," she said, "as though that foreign lady was being murdered or something." A manager was informed, and he rang up the police. The police broke into the room and found the diva in full blast. They asked why she was shouting, and it was explained that she was singing. The police departed and three ill-natured critics wrote that it was a crude publicity stunt.

## DARTWORDS

THE first word in this week's Dart-words is TALLIA, and the last word is HEEL. You have to link up these two words by using the other 48 words in such a way that each word is connected by a letter to the word that precedes it.

## RULES

1. The word may be an anagram of the word that precedes it.
2. It may be a synonym of the word that precedes it.
3. It may be found by adding one letter to the preceding word, or by changing one letter in the preceding word.
4. It may be associated with the preceding word in a saying, proverb, or other composition.
5. A typical association of words might be: Candie—Lanced—Lances—Cleans—Cleane—Cleave—Culls—Skull—Crossbones.
6. It may be associated with the preceding word in a title or in the action of a book, play, or other composition.

(Solution on Page 16)



"HONEY, I'M HOME!"

## Popular Records

JO Stafford was practically a child when the names of Nelson Eddy and Jeanette MacDonald were inseparable as those of, say, Astaire and Rogers or Lunt and Fontanne.

Now, years later, the popular Miss Stafford finds herself in the good company of the husky battle-axe who was romancing Miss MacDonald in the early and middle 1930's in those fine film musicals.

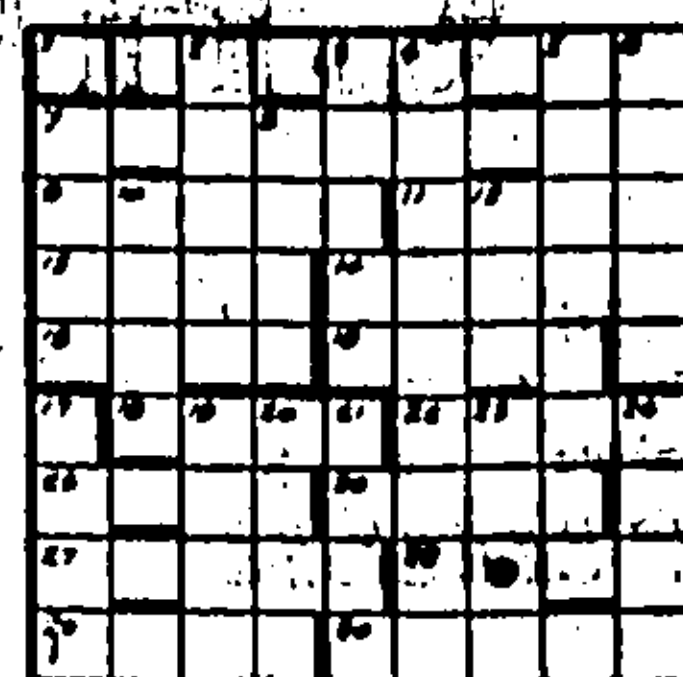
Eddy's voice is as mellow as ever as he teams with Miss Stafford on a Columbia coupling of "I'll Be Home Again" and "With These Hands."

Eddie Fisher does an excellent solo of the old favourite, "With These Hands," but it is the other side of this RCA-Victor record that will get the most notice. Fisher sings a dreamy ballad, "When I Was Young," which proves Composer Bob Merrill's talents aren't limited to such zany ditties as "Doozy in the Window," etc.

Ray Anthony and his Orchestra have revived that old World War II favourite, "Jersey Bounce," and it deserves to be taken out of mothballs. Leo Anthony's baritone sax gives this jumpy favourite more

— William D. Lattier.

## CROSSWORD



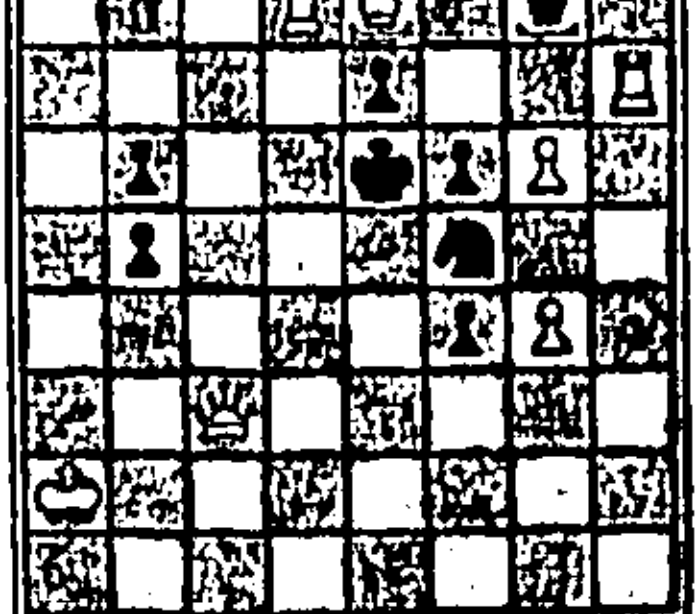
1. Pa and us are 100% of experiments. (10)
2. Type of wall—full of holes. (8)
3. A phantom appeared here. (10)
4. A plural American called in as the bottom of things. (6)
5. This gas station is called. (6)
6. Lots of things have disappeared this way. (4)
7. The last makes ends meet. (4)
8. Sweet is the word which nature brings. (Wordsworth). (4)
9. Fall down on a journey. (6)
10. Vegetable that looks better looking up the other way. (4)
11. There are many of this in 4 across. (5)
12. He acts well but is thrown out anyway. (4)
13. These days were long ago. (4)
14. Wanderers. (4)
15. Was this game connected with news? (5)
16. O rate—we don't eat it raw. (5)
17. Can he trace chic at work? (5)
18. Kitchen equipment. (4)
19. This rat causes plague. (4)
20. Ancient tax—nothing to do with elections. (4)
21. There are many of this in 10 across. (5)
22. Fish of the future? (8)
23. Breathless breath. (4)
24. Regularly plural. (4)
25. Carry on. (4)
26. Seek a way to make both ends meet. (4)
27. Such upbringing is rare. (4)
28. Have you got this yourself—saw it for others. (4)

**SOLUTION TO CHECK YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE**

## CHESS PROBLEM

By U. CASTELLARI

Black, 8 pieces.



White, 7 pieces.  
White to play: mate in two.  
Solution to yesterday's problem:  
1. Q-Q3; threat 2. Kt-B5 (dbl ch). 1... R-XKt; 2. B-XR (ch); 1... P-XKt; 2. Q-Q8 (ch); 1... B-XKt; 2. Q-K3.

## WHAT'S HER LINE?

DORIS O. PITCH

Rearrange the letters to spell her occupation.  
(Solution on Page 16)

## MESSAGERIES MARITIMES



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**JOHN CLARKE'S**  
**CASEBOOK**  
**Something to Celebrate**

WHETHER you have won the Nobel Prize, the egg-and-spoon race in a local fete, £75,000 in a football pool or a book token worth half a crown for a Latin verse in a literary weekly, you are expected to share your jubilation with those who, possibly to your great surprise, declare themselves as always having said you had it in you to pull off the great event.

Robin, a young man of great charm, who is in the Navy, had a better success than any of those I have listed, the other day. He heard, by bush telegraph, that he had passed his examination for promotion to petty officer.

He was on leave at the time, and naturally his friends heard too, before the news was official. Bush telegraph rates do not increase as those of other telegrams do, and the distribution of the news each message contains in wide.

THEY DID

ROBIN had scarcely caught the gist of the message that brought him unofficially the good news before friends were telephoning him and saying: "We ought to celebrate, old boy."

"We certainly ought," Robin replied from his parents' home in South Kensington.

He and his friends celebrated. The definition my dictionary gives of the verb "to celebrate" is: "observe, honour, with rites, festivities, etc. (festival, event)." Robin and two friends did all that. There came a time when he felt awful. "Look," he said to his friends, "I'll catch you up at the next place, just leave me for a bit."

There was nowhere to rest he found when his friends had gone, and he longed for rest. He found a parked car and gratefully slid into the driving seat. A policeman presently found him there.

ONE ITEM

FROM the look of the charge sheet at Bow Street next morning—you would have thought the only punishment to fit the listed crimes against his name was seven years' deportation.

Happily the formidable list was reduced by the police to one item. Robin was charged with tampering with the mechanism of a car that was not his own, and he pleaded guilty, though he seemed not to have done much more than tamper with the car's door-handle by opening it.

The story was told to Mr. R. H. Blundell, the magistrate, and Robin stood stiffly in the dock, in uniform, with his cap in the crook of his left arm. He was very pale, and it was clear he saw his whole career founding upon the matter under discussion.

FRIENDS IN COURT

THE police, who can do this sort of thing very well when they like, went out of their way to act as friends in court of Robin, whom they were prosecuting.

"He had his father's permission to go out with his friends," they said, and "His friends are here and would speak for him. Some say he was half-drunk, some that he was merry, some that he was 'high.' This man does not know how to drive a car, sir, and I do not think he would have tried."

Robin's immediate superior officer went into the witness-box, with his naval cap under the crook of his arm, Robin stiffened to rigidity.

"Well above the average this man, sir," said Robin's officer. "I now have the authority to advance him to petty officer. I hope this won't interfere with it." He sounded as though Robin was the sort of person he did not want to lose in his branch of the service.

LIGHT IN HIS EYES

"I SHALL discharge you absolutely," said the magistrate to Robin. "But you must pay five guineas costs for the trouble you've caused."

Robin bowed and went out. He was still pale, but now there was a light in his eyes. He looked in a mood to celebrate. How was it the dictionary defined doing that...?

## Sussex Finish As Runners-Up In Championship

London, Sept. 4. Sussex finished runners-up to Surrey in the County Cricket Championship when they beat Lancashire, their only rivals, for the position by an innings at Hove today.

With all Championship matches completed, Surrey, who beat Hampshire yesterday, headed the final table with 184 points from 28 games.

### Cold Defeats Miss Chadwick's Gallant Effort

Dover, Sept. 4. Florence Chadwick, 33-year-old California woman who broke the England-France Channel swim record today, gave up on the return swim two and a half miles off the French coast.

She gave up because of the extreme cold of the water and jelly-fish bites.

Miss Chadwick said: "I was not at all exhausted and I felt I could have swum on for some time but I did not really expect to conquer the Channel in both directions at my first attempt."

Miss Chadwick swam from England to France in 14 hours 42 minutes beating the record of the Englishman, Tom Blower, of 16 hours 31 minutes set up in 1948.—Reuter.

### Awkward Question For Finns

Helsinki, Sept. 4. Russian companies in Finland have been unlawfully given tax reductions amounting to several hundred million marks in the past five years, it was disclosed yesterday.

The Finnish Ministry of Finance, fearing a controversy with the Soviet Government, has summoned experts to study the case and try to find a way of getting the Soviet firms to yield to the Finnish taxation laws without disturbing commercial relations with Moscow.

A Judging Committee of the Helsinki City Assessment Board revealed that in the past years, Soviet companies have been given tax reductions of up to three per cent of their net income for "administrative expenditure."

The reductions, the Committee said, were requested for expenditure involved in Moscow's keeping a commercial mission in Helsinki and were approved although the Supreme Court in 1949 ruled that no such abatements could be permitted under the present laws.

The Russians have 83 companies in Finland. The board are made up of Soviet representatives and leading members of the Finnish Communist Party.—United Press.

### BOYS AND GIRLS SOLUTIONS

CROSSWORD:

DOWN: 1. ORE 2. OAR 3. SNAP 4. SETA 5. TRI 6. SCREEN 7. ERE 8. MATRON 9. RO 10. ERA 11. ELIA 12. TERN 13. WEST 14. ATE

ACROSS: 1. HONOLULU 2. CUB 3. HONOLULU 4. HONOLULU 5. HONOLULU 6. HONOLULU 7. HONOLULU 8. HONOLULU 9. HONOLULU 10. HONOLULU 11. HONOLULU 12. HONOLULU 13. HONOLULU 14. HONOLULU 15. HONOLULU 16. HONOLULU 17. HONOLULU 18. HONOLULU 19. HONOLULU 20. HONOLULU 21. HONOLULU 22. HONOLULU 23. HONOLULU 24. HONOLULU 25. HONOLULU 26. HONOLULU 27. HONOLULU 28. HONOLULU 29. HONOLULU 30. HONOLULU 31. HONOLULU 32. HONOLULU 33. HONOLULU 34. HONOLULU 35. HONOLULU 36. HONOLULU 37. HONOLULU 38. HONOLULU 39. HONOLULU 40. HONOLULU 41. HONOLULU 42. HONOLULU 43. HONOLULU 44. HONOLULU 45. HONOLULU 46. HONOLULU 47. HONOLULU 48. HONOLULU 49. HONOLULU 50. HONOLULU 51. HONOLULU 52. HONOLULU 53. HONOLULU 54. HONOLULU 55. HONOLULU 56. HONOLULU 57. HONOLULU 58. HONOLULU 59. HONOLULU 60. HONOLULU 61. HONOLULU 62. HONOLULU 63. HONOLULU 64. HONOLULU 65. HONOLULU 66. HONOLULU 67. HONOLULU 68. HONOLULU 69. HONOLULU 70. HONOLULU 71. HONOLULU 72. HONOLULU 73. HONOLULU 74. HONOLULU 75. HONOLULU 76. HONOLULU 77. HONOLULU 78. HONOLULU 79. HONOLULU 80. HONOLULU 81. HONOLULU 82. HONOLULU 83. HONOLULU 84. HONOLULU 85. HONOLULU 86. HONOLULU 87. HONOLULU 88. HONOLULU 89. HONOLULU 90. HONOLULU 91. HONOLULU 92. HONOLULU 93. HONOLULU 94. HONOLULU 95. HONOLULU 96. HONOLULU 97. HONOLULU 98. HONOLULU 99. HONOLULU 100. HONOLULU

### UNUSUAL RUN-OUT

Lancashire, requiring 188 to avoid an innings defeat, again batted disappointingly on a fairly easy pitch, especially against the offspinners of Robin Manthorpe, who made the ball turn a little and varied his flight and pace well to finish with six for 74.

Malcolm Hilton and Frank Parr added 46 for the best partnership of the innings before both were run out, Parr in an unusual manner.

Manthorpe fielded a hard hit from Statham and the ball struck the stumps with Parr standing just outside his crease.

### THE RESULTS

The following were the results of County cricket matches which ended today:

At Hove: Sussex beat Lancashire by an innings and 12 runs. Lancashire 152 and 178 (Marlar six for 74). Sussex 340 for five declared.

At Scarborough, Yorkshire v MCC. Match drawn. MCC 382 and 255 for six declared (Craven 54 not out). Yorkshire 301 for four declared and 184 for seven.—Reuter.

## Rhee Warns Of Stern Punishment

Seoul, Sept. 4. President Syngman Rhee warned his people today that Korea could not afford to fall in its reconstruction programme and said that fraud and embezzlement in handling American aid funds would be sternly punished.

In a statement, Mr Rhee expressed deep gratitude to the President and people of the United States for their immediate assistance to re-build the war-ravaged nation.

"We would be ungrateful to our friendly nations should we fall in reconstruction with \$200,000,000 American aid for the first half year and \$130,000,000 for the second half year," he said.

The President had a stern penal ordinance under consideration against "fraudulent embezzlement" in the foreign aid fund. The maximum punishment would be "capital."

—United Press.

## FOREST HILLS SURPRISES

Forest Hills, Sept. 4. Mrs. Thelma Long, of Australia, top seeded foreign player, was unexpectedly eliminated by Mrs. Helen Perez (USA) today in the third round of the women's singles in the United States lawn tennis championships.

Mrs. Perez, who was unseeded, won by 6-3, 6-4.

Lewie Head (Australia) and Miss Margaret Connolly (USA), favourites for the mixed doubles title, were eliminated in the quarter finals by Rex Hartwig (Australia) and Miss Julie Sampson (USA), who won by 6-4, 3-6, 11-9.—Reuter.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"We knew where he was in Korea, but I can't sleep thinking about him at that dance—a hero to all those silly girls!"

## Views Of Allies On Korea Talks Cabled To Sweden

Washington, Sept. 4. The State Department has cabled Sweden the Allied suggestions on a time and place for the Korean peace conference. They assume that these have been passed along to the Communists for consideration.

The United States and the other United Nations with troops in Korea had agreed on Tuesday to recommend that the conference be held either at Geneva or Honolulu on October 15. The preference was for Geneva.

The Communists are expected to argue about the site if not the date. Rumours circulated earlier in the week that they might propose New York as an alternative.

The United States is opposed to this. Officials recognize that it would be nothing more than a scheme to bring the representatives of Red China and North Korea to the doorstep of the United Nations General Assembly to dramatize their demand for UN membership and to spread their propaganda.

The Administration is thinking about naming Arthur W. Dean, New York Corporate lawyer, to head the US delegation to the conference.

Mr. Dean, a partner in Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' old law firm of Sullivan and Crimmet, served as an American adviser during the recent United States-South Korean defence talks.

## Big Storm In Atlantic

Miami, Sept. 4. The season's most severe hurricane wallowed slowly along Atlantic shipping lanes today with top winds of 150 miles an hour but far enough at sea not to pose immediate danger to any land.

In a 1.30 GMT advisory, the Miami Weather Bureau said that the big storm was situated about 1,000 miles south of east of Miami, moving north-westward at about 15 miles an hour.

Hurricane force winds fanned outward from the centre at 75 miles with gale winds reaching out as far as 200 miles to the north.—United Press.

## GIANT JETS BEGIN LONG FLIGHT

Fairford, Sept. 4. Fifteen United States Air Force B-47 jet bombers streaked into overseas skies here today and began a 4,500-mile non-stop return flight to their base at MacDill Field, Tampa, Florida.

The first flight will be followed tomorrow and Sunday by the remaining 30 B-47's of the 30th Bomb Wing.

The Air Force said that the big planes would refuel in the air.

The Air Force also said that another 15 of the atom bombers took off from Lincoln, Maine, tonight simultaneously for a 2,025-mile hop to Fairford. They would not require refuelling during the flight.

The group, the vanguard of the 305th Bomb Wing, were followed by 30 B-47's at short intervals.—United Press.

## Woman's Flight

Toulouse, Sept. 4. Sixty-one-year-old Mrs. Marion Hart took off for Rome via Nice today in the lightest plane she has ever piloted across the Atlantic in 13 hours 30 minutes.

Mrs. Hart of New York City told newsmen at the airport that she plans to fly later to Egypt and possibly to India.—United Press.

## U.S. ARMY STORE SCANDAL

Nuremberg, Sept. 4. A full-scale investigation of the Army's multi-million dollar retail store system in Germany was under way today following the discovery of a \$235,000 illegal operation.

Army criminal agents and investigators for the European Exchange System were combing contracts and accounts for evidence of bribery and favouritism.

As a result of the probe an Army buyer was under arrest, efforts were under way to extradite a former chief buyer now in Texas and a woman toy purchaser was due for trial for conspiring to collect a four per cent rake-off from a Swiss firm.

The top official of the Army Exchange System resigned after the investigations were under way.

Under arrest was 31-year-old chief of the food section, Charles E. Wilson, who will come up for trial on September 14.

He is accused of "contractual irregularities" in the purchase of food. He was released from gaol on the surrender of his passport.—United Press.

## NEW BRITISH ENVOY

Moscow, Sept. 4. Sir William Hoyer, new British Ambassador to Moscow, will arrive early next month, the British Embassy stated today.

The Ambassador is expected on October 2 but the date has not been definitely fixed.

Sir William Hoyer was formerly Minister in Paris. His appointment to the Moscow post was announced in May.

Sir Alvary Garelino, the retiring Ambassador to Moscow, returned to London on August 18.—Reuter.

## DARTWORDS SOLUTION

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Free-Wheel-Heel-List-List  
Alec-Nimble-Nibble-Noble  
Steal-Thunder-Clap  
Clay-Pigeon-English-Shingle  
Wasp-Back-Beck-Beck  
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Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke at 10 a.m. on the 7th Sept. 1953.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer's attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 7th Sept. 1953, or they will not be recognised.

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Hongkong, 2nd Sept. 1953.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

S.S. "CHANGTSE" Arr. 4th September 1953.

Damaged cargo on this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 8th September and Wednesday 9th September 1953, and consignees representatives are requested to be present during survey.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m/v "ANENAR"

Damaged cargo on this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Hoi's Wharf from 10 a.m. on September 8 and 9, 1953, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

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We, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., of 16 Pedder Street, Hongkong hereby give notice that in consequence of change of ownership, we have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the non-propelled oil lighter "Indo-China No. 0.XXX" of HONG KONG REGISTRY Official Number 157960, Gross tonnage 307.49 tons, Register tonnage 307.49 tons, heretofore owned by The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., for permission to change her name to C.P.D. No. 1 and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

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### BIRTHS

COXHEAD—To Joan, wife of Mr. J. H. Coxhead, on September 5, 1953, at Queen Mary Hospital, a daughter.

### LOST

BETWEEN Police Recreation Club and Cathay Theatre on night of September 2, a masculine ring, heavily engraved to order, Box 71, China Mail.

### POSITIONS VACANT

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